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At a Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the first Parish in Boxford on Monday y^e 17^th of Novem^r 1785

1 The Parish chose Lieut Thomas Perley Moderator for s^d Meeting

2 They chose Thomas Kenrigton Parish Clerk for the year ensuing

3 They chose Capt Hale Timothy Stiles and Jacob Smith Assessors for y^e year ensuing

4 They chose John Gould and Jonathan Kimball Collectors for y^e year ensuing

5 They chose John Andrews John Wood and John Symonds a Committee to call Parish Meetings

6 They chose Robert Andrews treasurer for y^e year ensuing

7 Voted to Raise Money to Repair y^e Meeting house

8 It was put to vote to See if an Hundred pounds should be raised to Repair the Meeting house and it past in the Negative

9 It was put to vote to See if eighty pounds should be raised to Repair the Meeting-house and it past in the Affirmative

10 They chose Lieut Jacob Perley & Joseph Symonds to Repair the Meeting-house

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At a Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the first Parish in Boxford on December 1785

2 They chose Lieut Thomas Perley Moderator for s^d Meeting

2 It was put to vote to See if there should be a New Meeting-house Built in said Parish and it past in the Negative

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At a Legal Meeting of the Inhabitant of the first Parish in Boxford on January y^e 30^th

1 The Parish chose Samuel Foster Moderator for said Meeting

2 It was put to vote to See if the Parish would grant an Addition to Mr Rogers Salary on acco^t of the depreciation of Bills of Credit and it past in the Negative

3 They chose Samuel Foster Treasurer for said Parish

4 They voted to be at y^e cost of a Surveyor to plot a Plan of the Parish that it may be known where the Center is

5 They made choice of Mr Josiah Balch Esq^r to take a Plan of s^d Parish

6 They chose the Committee for calling Parish Meetings to See the work accomplished

Att a Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the first Parish in Boxford on March 23rd 1735-6

1 They chose Leiut Thomas Perley Moderator
2 They chose Thomas Redington Parish Clerk for the year enfuing
3 They chose John Symonds. John Andrews and John Wood for a Committee to call Parish Meetings
4 Voted that ye above said Committee should be Assessors for ye year enfuing
5 They chose Capt Jeremiah Perley & Deacon Timothy Foster Collectors for ye year enfuing
6 It was put to vote to See if they would raise money to defray Parish charges & it past in ye Negative
7 They chose Samuel Goodridge to Sweep ye Meetinghouse for ye year enfuing
8 They chose Samuel Foster Parish Treasurer for the year enfuing

Att a Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the first Parish in Boxford on June ye 22, 1736

1 They chose Samuel Foster Moderator
2 It was put to vote to See if they would build a new meeting house and Set it in the Center of ye Parish or as near as may be with conveniency or where there is ye first accomodation for it, and it past in the Negative
3 It was put to vote to See whither they would repair the old Meeting-house and it past in the Negative
4 It was put to vote to See if they would build a new Meeting-house & it past in ye Affirmative

Att a Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the first Parish in Boxford on October ye 25th 1736

1 They chose Capt Stephen Peabody Moderator
2 It was put to vote to See if they would Set a New Meeting house in the Center of the Parish when they See cause to build one or as near to the Center as may be with Conveniency and it past in the Negative
3 It was put to vote to See wheather an New Meeting house when they See cause to build one Should be Set where the old Meeting house is or as near as the Lane will conveniently allow of, & it past in ye Negative

4 It was put to vote to See whither an new meeting house When they See cause to build one Should be Set on the Hill behind Mr Rogers's House, & it past in y^e affirmative

5 voted to mend the glass windows in the Meeting house where they are broken

6 voted that John Chapman Ephraim Kimball Ephraim Smith the widow Dorman Samuel Goodridge Gideon Byxby Nathan Dresser and Joseph Stickney and all on the Northward of those above named Should belong to the North list of Parish Rates and all on the Southwardly Side to the South list

7 voted that our Ministers Salary for y^e year ensuing Should be an hundred & forty eight pounds twenty eight pounds whereof to make good the Last forty pounds granted him, for y^e year past and y^e year enjuing

8 voted to have twenty pounds laid in the Rates to defray Parish charges

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At a Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the first Parish in Boxford on Munday December the 27, 1736

1 The Parish chose Capt Joseph Hale Moderator for Said Meeting

2 It was put to vote to See if they would repair the old Meeting house well, and it past in the Negative

3 They voted to repair Mr Rogers's Kitchen floor

4 They chose John Curtis to repair Mr Rogers's Kitchen floor on the parish's cost & charge

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At a Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the first Parish in Boxford on January y^e 10, 1736/7

1 They chose Thomas Redington Moderator

2 They voted to build an New Meeting house

3 They voted that the Said Meeting house Shall be built thirty eight foot wide, & forty eight foot long and twenty four foot Studs

4 They voted that the Said Meeting house Shall be Studded, and boarded & claboarded on y^e Studs, without Side; and lathed & plastered within Side both on y^e ends & Sides and also over head under the beams, and that there Shall be a fashionable Roof well finished and the boards pointed with lime and good decent windows agreeable to y^e quality of y^e house

5 They chose Richard Kimball Timothy Stiles. Nathaniel Symonds. John Stiles & Joseph Hale Jur. a Committee to agree with a workman or work Men to do y^e work of s^d Meeting house

6 voted to have Six Hundred pounds Money or Bills of Credit raised towards y^e defraying the charges of building said House

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Att a Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the first Parish in Boxford on February y^e 23^rd 1736/7

1 They chose Timothy Dorman Moderator

2 It was put to vote to See if the Six Hundred pounds that was granted to build an new Meeting house Should be paid at three payments, and it past in the Negative

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Att a Meeting of the Inhabitants of the first Parish in Boxford March y^e 28^rd 1736/7 to Chuse Parish officers for y^e year ensuing

1 The Parish chose Leiut Thomas Perley Moderator for s^d Meeting

2 They chose Capt Joseph Hale Parish Clerk for the day

3 the Parish chose Leiut Thomas Perley. David Wood & Sam^ll and Samuel Pickard a Parish Committee to call Parish Meetings for y^e year ensuing.
The Parish also chose y^e s^d Committee assessors for y^e year ensuing

4 The Parish chose Sergeant Jacob Smith & Leiut Jacob Perley Collectors for y^e year ensuing

5 They chose Joseph Hale treasurer for y^e year ensuing

6 It was put to vote to See if the Parish would pay the Six Hundred pounds granted at a Meeting held in y^e first Parish in Boxford some time in January Last past in any way or Manner at all, & it past in y^e negative

7 the Parish chose Thomas Redington Parish Clerk for y^e year ensuing

8 It was put to vote to See if the Parish would make it a rule for y^e future for y^e Parish Committee to give fourteen days notice for the calling Parish Meetings and it past in the affirmative

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Att a Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the first Parish in Boxford on Tuesday y^e 7th day of March 1737/8

1- The Parish chose David Wood Esqr Moderator for said Meeting
2- They chose Thomas Redington Parish Clerk for the year enfuing
3- They chose David Wood Esqr for ye first Committee Man to call Parish Meetings for ye year enfuing
4 They chose Capt Jeremiah Perley for the Second Committee Man
5- They chose Thomas Redington for the third Committee Man
6- They chose Samuel Foster Collector for ye year enfuing
7- They chose Capt Stephen Peabody for the other Collector for ye year enfuing
8- They voted to have two Books bought on ye Parish's cost, one of said Books to record Parish Rates in and ye other for Parish votes
9 The Parish chose ye above said Committe Men Assessors for said Parish for ye year enfuing
The above said officers were sworn to the faithfull discharge of their respective offices except David Wood Esqr

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At a Legal Meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of ye first Parish in Boxford qualified by Law to vote in Parish Meetings on thursday ye 11th day of January 1738/9
1- The Parish chose David Wood Esqr Moderator for s^d Meeting
2- It was put to vote to see if the Parish would give ye Revd Mr John Rogers one Hundred and Sixty pounds for his Salary for this present year in Bills of Credit of ye old tenor or the equivalent thereof in Bills of Credit of ye New tenor and that the Assessors should order ye same to be paid to Mr Rogers aforesaid and it past in the affirmative
3- Inasmuch as it is judged that the Authority for gathering the last years Ministers Rate is defficient and considerable of s^d Rate is yet unpaid therefore it was put to vote to see if the Parish would order the Assessors to New Lay the said last years Ministers Rate, by putting the same into ye list of Rates for ye present year, and give credit to every person for what they have paid of said last years Rates before they deliver ye same to the Collectors and it past in ye affirmative
Boxford January 11th 1738/9
Whereas there is a meeting warned by David Wood

Jeremiah Perley. and Thomas Redington in order to Manage Parish affairs who we Judge are not qualified according to Law for their so doing wherefore we the Subscribers enter our contrary decent against their proceedings. Jacob Smith Timothy Stile. John Andrews. John Stiles. Jonath Byxby. Samuel Foster. Nathaniel Symonds. Timothy Foster. John Andrews. Samuel Gould. Gideon Byxbe Joshua Andrews. Jonathan ~~Byxbee~~ Peabody. Ephrain Kimball. John Peabody. and Thomas Cummings Since y^e^ meeting above s^d^ desired to have his contrary decent entered also

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Att a Legal Meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitants of y^e^ first Parish in Boxford for chusing Parish officers for y^e^ year ensuing, on thursday y^e^ 22^nd^ day of March 1738/9

1- The Parish chose David Wood Esq^r^ Moderator for said Meeting
2- They chose Thomas Redington Parish Clerk for y^e^ year ensuing
3- They chose David Wood Esq^r^ for y^e^ first Committee Man & Assessor for y^e^ year ensuing
4- They chose Capt Jeremiah Perley for y^e^ Second Committee man & Assessor for y^e^ year ensuing
5- They chose Thomas Redington for y^e^ third Committee Man and Assessor for y^e^ year ensuing
6- They chose David Wood Esq^r^ Parish Treasurer for the year ensuing
7- They chose James Curtis Collector for y^e^ year ensuing
8- They chose John Wood for y^e^ other Collector for the year ensuing
9- It was put to vote to see if there should be three pound ten shillings drawn out of the Parish Treasury to pay Mr Josiah Batchelder for Measuring the Parish when he shall deliver a Plan of s^d^ Parish And it past in y^e^ affirmative
10- Voted to pay Mr Samuel Goodridge thirty shillings a year for Sweeping the Meeting house in time pa

The officers above named were sworn to y^e^ faithfull discharge of their respective offices except David Wood Esq^r^

We the Subscribers Inhabitants of the first Parish in Boxford do hereby enter our decent against the proceedings of this present Parish Meeting, Because they did not regulate y^e^ meeting according to the La

Law of the Province made & provided on that
account in the choice of a Moderator
Boxford March 22nd 1739
John Symonds. Joseph Symonds John Andrews.
Timothy Stiles John Stiles. John Byxby Thos Andrews
Samuel Foster. Jacob Smith. Thomas Cumming.
Robert Andrews. Timothy Dorman Jonathan Byxbe
John Dorman. Nathaniel Symonds. John Peabody Jur
Samuel Gould. Jeremiah Foster. Oliver Andrews.
John Andrews Jur. Timothy Foster. Jonathan Peabody
Nathan Peabody. Joseph Hale Jur. Samuel Foster Jur.
Aaron Foster. Samuel Fisk Ephraim Kimball.
Benjamin Stiles, John Peabody Ezra Stiles. Ebenezer
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Andrews. John Buswell. Gideon Byxbee

Att a Legal Meeting of the Freeholders & other
Inhabitants of y^e first Parish in Boxford qualified
by Law to vote in Parish Meetings on March 25th 1739/40
1- The Parish chose David Wood Esq^r Moderator for
said Meeting
2- They chose David Wood Esq^r the first Committee
Man and Assessor for y^e year ensuing
3- They chose Ezekiel Jewet a Second Committee
Man and Assessor for y^e year ensuing
4 They chose Ephraim Perley a third Committee
Man and Assessor for y^e year ensuing
5- They chose Thomas Redington Parish Clerk
for y^e year ensuing
6- They chose Aaron Kimball Collector for y^e
year ensuing
7- They chose Jacob Perley Collector for y^e year
ensuing
8- They chose Capt Jeremiah Perley Treasurer
for y^e year ensuing
Two of y^e Assessors, the Collector, Treasurer
and Clerk above named are sworn to the
faithfull discharge of their respective offices

Att a Legal Meeting of y^e freeholders and
other Inhabitants of y^e first Parish in Boxford
qualified by Law to vote in parish meetings
on Munday Nov^r 10th 1740
The Parish chose David Wood Esq^r Moderator
for s^d Meeting

2dly It was put to vote to See if y^e Parish would accept of y^e frame that lies before Mr. Rogers's door if those that are the proper owners of it will bestow it on them on some Suitable conditions, and it past in y^e Negative

3dly It was put to vote to See if y^e Parish will Raise or Set up a Meeting house on the Northwardly corner of y^e Pasture that was purchersed of John Buswell deceased, a little to y^e South or Southeast of y^e place where Mr. Batcheldor declared y^e Center of y^e Parish was, whenever y^e Parish Shall See cause to build one and it past in y^e ~~Negative~~ affirmative

4thly It was put to vote to See if the Parish would repair the old Meeting house in the following Manner viz to Shingle the fore Side of the Roof, and Claboard both ends & the fore Side and make new doors & new window frames & Casements, and new Set y^e old glass & what glass is wanting to make up with new glass and it past in the affirmative

5thly The Parish chose Capt Jeremiah Perley & Mr. John Wood to See y^e above S^d Repairing accomplished at y^e Parish's charge

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At a Legal Meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the first Parish in Boxford qualified by Law to vote in Parish meetings on munday March y^e 30th 1741

1st The Parish chose David Wood Esq^r Moderator for Said Meeting

2dly The Parish chose Thomas Redington Parish Clerk for y^e year ensuing

3dly They chose David Wood Esq^r for the first Committee Man & Assessor for the year ensuing

4thly They chose Amos Perley for y^e Second Committee Man & Assessor for y^e year ensuing

5thly They chose Capt Joseph Hale for the third Committee man and Assessor for y^e year ensuing

6ly The Parish chose Ebenezer Curtis Collector for the South Side of the Parish for the year ensuing

7ly They chose Ezekiel Jewel Collector for the north Side of the Parish for y^e^ yeare enuing

8ly They chose Capt Jeremiah Perley Parish Treasurer for y^e^ year ensuing

9ly It was put to vote to if the Parish will accept of the Frame that lies before Mr Rogers's door provided those Men which are the propper owners thereof will make it a good Substantial Frame and raise it in the corner of the pasture where the Parish voted to Set a Meeting house whenever they shall See cause to build one on y^e^ tenth day of Novr last provided also they raise said Frame at or before the last day of May next and give them as much for it as good workmen Indifferently chosen shall Judge it to be worth when s^d^ Frame is raised & it past in the negative

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At a Legal Meeting of the Freeholders & other Inhabitants of the first Parish in Boxford qualified by Law to vote in Parish meetings on Munday the Second day of Novr 1741

1st The Parish chose Mr John Symonds Moderator for s^d^ Meeting

2ly It was put to vote to See if the Parish will buy or purchase the Frame of a Meeting-house that lies before Mr Rogers's door of the Men or Committee that have y^e^ Disposal of it at a reasonable price being valued after s^d^ Frame is raised by three Men which the North Side of y^e^ Parish Shall chuse from among themselves and in case Such three Men & the Committee above s^d^ cannot agree upon a price for y^e^ said Frame, then the matter to be left to y^e^ Judgment of three Carpenters that shall be chosen by y^e^ parish that belong to some of the Neighbouring Towns, to take a view of y^e^ s^d^ Frame and finally to determine what y^e^ Committee shall have for the said Frame, & it past in y^e^ affirmative

3ly It was put to vote to See if the Parish will Set up the Meeting house Frame at y^e^ west end

of the old Meeting-house and it past in the affirmative

4ly It was put to vote to See if the parish would raise a Suitable Sum or Sums of money as may be necesary to defray ye charge in purchersing the Frame raising and finishing the said House and chuse a Committee to carry on and finish said House, and it past in the affirmative

5ly The Parish voted that there should be three nine Hundred pounds raised toward ye defraying the charge of raising and finishing the above sd House

6ly The Parish voted that three Hundred pounds of ye above sd nine Hundred pounds should be paid as soon as the above said Frame is raised & valued

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At a Legal Meeting of ye Freeholders & other Inhabitants of ye first parish in Boxford qualified by Law to vote in parish meetings on wednesday ye 24th day of febuary 1741/2

1st The Parish chose Capt Stephen Peabody Moderator for sd Meeting

2ly It was put to vote to See if ye parish will pay Mr Rogers his Salary that ye Town has voted him Annually from ye time of our being a Parish so long as he Shall continue our Minister or in ye lieu thereof to See if ye parish will pay ye value of 180 ounces of Silver in publick Bills of credit, & it past in ye negative

3ly It was put to vote to See if ye parish will chuse a Committee to reckon with all ye Collectors Treasurers & Receivers that have been in our parish ever Since we were a parish and lay ye accounts before ye parish & it past in ye negative

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At a Legal Meeting of ye Freeholders & other Inhabitants of ye first parish in Boxford qualified by Law to vote in parish Meetings on Thursday ye 11th day of March 1741/2

1st The Parish chose Capt Stephen Peabody Moderator for sd Meeting

2ly It was put to vote to See if ye Parish would give to ye Revd Mr Jonathan Barry our pastor ye Sum of Six Hundred & fifty pounds Bills of credit of ye old tenor for his Salary for this present year & it past in ye affirmative

3ly The parish chose Lieut John Andrews Thomas Andrews & Jonathan Bayley a Committee to cast up ye Several Assessments that have been assessed on ye people in this

this Parish Since we became a parish and to reckon with y^e Several Treasurers & Receivers that have been in s^d parish so that the Parish may know what uses their money have been put to, and wither there be any in y^e Treasury that is not disposed of, and to bring their accounts & lay them before y^e Parish as sood as may be.

At a Legal Meeting of y^e Freeholders & other Inhabitants of y^e first Parish in Boxford qualified by Law to vote in Parish Meeting on March 29th 1742

1st The Parish chose Capt Stephen Peabody Moderator for s^d Meeting

2nd The Parish chose Capt Stephen Peabody for y^e first Committee man for y^e year enfuing

3dly They chose Mr John Andrews for y^e 2nd Committee Man

4thly They chose Samuel Gould for y^e 3rd Committee Man

5thly voted that y^e above s^d Committee Men should Serve as Assessors for y^e year enfuing

6thly They chose Samuel Foster Treasurer for y^e year enfuing

7thly They chose Francis Perley Collector for y^e year enfuing

8thly They chose Nath^ll Symonds Collector for y^e year enfuing

9thly They chose John Peabody to take care of y^e Meeting House for y^e year enfuing

10thly They chose Thomas Redington Parish Clerk for y^e year enfuing

All y^e above s^d officer were Sworn to y^e faithfull discharge of their respective offices on s^d day

At a Legal Meeting of the Freeholders & other Inhabitant of y^e first Parish in Boxford Qualifyed by Law to vote in Parish meeting on Sept 17 1742

1st The Parish chose Mr Samuel Foster Moderator for s^d Meeting

2dly It was put to vote to See if the Parish would Reconsider & null all the votes that were past in Said Parish on y^e Second day of November last past, and it past in the affirmative

3dly It was put to vote to See if the Parish wold accept of the Grome that lies before Mr Rogers's House which was made for a

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Meetinghouse provided they can have it at a reasonable price, and it past in ye Affirmative

4ly It was put to vote to See if the parish would Raise & finish ye above sd Frame fit for a Meeting-house, and it past in the affirmative

5ly It was put to vote to See if the Parish would raise ye above sd Frame in or by ye Rode near the corner between ye Land of Thomas Redington & John Buswell, & it past in the Affirmative

6 It was voted to ajourn ye Meeting to thursday next at one of ye clock in ye afternoon

At a Legal Meeting of the Free holders and other Inhabitants of the first parish in Boxford qualified by Law to vote in parish Metings held by ajournment on thursday ye 23rd day of September 1742

1st It was put to vote to vote to See if the Parish would chuse a man or Men to agree with the owners of ye Land for a Suitable piece to Set ye Meeting house on, and likewise to See ye work carried on & finished, and it past in ye Affirmative

2ly Parish chose Mr Robert Andrews Mr John Andrews and Mr Nathll Symonds to agree with ye owners of ye Land to Set ye meeting house on, and to See ye work carried on & finished

3ly The Parish voted to Raise one thousand pounds old tenor to defray ye charges of Raising and finishing ye above sd House

4ly Parish chose Mr Samuel Gould to Join with Mr John Andrews & Mr Thomas Andrews to reckon with ye Treasurer &c in Stead of Mr Jonathan Byxby who refuses to Serve in that affair

Att a Legal Meeting of ye Freeholders and other Inhabitants of ye first Parish in Boxford qualified by Law to vote in parish meetings on Friday ye 12th day of Novr 1742

1st The parish chose Mr Samuel Foster Moderator for sd Meeting

2ly voted that ye Revd Mr John Rogers should have one Hundred & forty pounds old tenor paid him for his Salary for ye year 1740/41 the year in which Aaron Kimball was Collector

3ly It was put to vote to see if ye parish would do any thing about Repairing ye old meetingh house and it past in ye Negative

4ly The parish chose Capt Jer. Perley & Mr Samuel Foster to use their best endeavour to gather the Remainder of Mr Rogers's Salary for ye year when Aaron Kimball was Collector

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Att a Legal Meeting of the Freeholders & other Inhabitants of ye first parish in Boxford qualified by Law to vote in parish meetings on thursday ye tenth day of March 1742/3

1 The parish chose Mr Saml Foster Moderator for sd Meeting

2ly It was put to vote to see if ye parish would give our minister ye Revd Mr John Rogers ye Sum of two Hundred pounds Bills of publick Credit of ye old tenor for his Salary for ye year ensuing viz 1743 and it past in ye Affirmative

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Att a Legal parish meeting held in the first parish in Boxford march ye 28: 1743

1ly ye parish chose Capt Stephen Peabody moderator for sd meeting

2ly the parish chose Amos Perley parish Clerk for ye year Ensuing and was then Sworn according to Law

3ly the parish chose Mr John Hood Capt Stephen Peabody Mr Samuel Pickard Constables and Assessors for the year Ensuing and were all Sworne according to Law Direct

4ly the parish chose Capt Jeremiah Pearley Treasurer for sd parish for ye year Ensuing

5ly The parish chose Abner Hall Colector for y^e north side of y^e parish & the y^e chose Joseph Curtice Colector for South Side of y^e parish for y^e year Ensuing and ware bott Sworn as y^e Law Directs

6ly The parish chose John peabody to Sweep y^e meeting house and to keep y^e key for y^e year

Att a Legal parish meeting held in y^e first parish in Boxford June y^e 7:th 1743

1. The parish chose M^r John Wood moderator for s^d meeting

2ly The parish chose Capt Jeremiah Perley Sam^l Porter & Tho^s Perley a Comitte to Joyne with M^r Rogers to See what is Behind or wanting of his Salery Since we ware Separate parish

3ly It was put to y^e vote to See if y^e Parish wo^d chuse a man or men to make answar to y^e Petition or Complaint that our Rev^d pastor M^r John Rogers Gave in at the Inferiour court to be held at Ipswich in march last past which petition was Continued to the Inferiour Court to Be held at Salem in July next and it paced in y^e affermitive

4ly The parish chose Capt Jeremiah Perley Sam^l Porter M^r John Symonds & Capt Steph^n peabody or Either of them to make answer to y^e above Petition or Complaint

5ly it was put to y^e vote to See if y^e parish would abate to the Colector Ezekiel Jewett the Sum of Benjamin Jewett Benj^a Rogers John marsh^l and Tho^s Baker and it paced in the affermitive:

Att a Legal parish meeting held in the first parish in Boxford Janu^y y^e 20:1743/4

1ly The parish chose M^r John Wood moderator for s^d meeting

2ly it was put to y^e vote to See if y^e parish would vote two hundred pounds in bills of Cr^dit of y^e old tenor for our Rev^d M^r John Rogers Sallery for y^e year Ensuing which will End in July next to Be taxed or Assessed by the present assessors of y^e parish and to Be Com^itted to y^e present Colector Joseph Curtice & Abner Hale to gather and Prosecute in y^e

3ly it was put to y^e vote to Let if the parish would
act any thing one Next Article in the warrent and
it passed In y^e Negitive

At a Legal parish meting held in y^e first parish in Boston
march y^e 17 1743 (1) the parish Chose David wood Esq^r moder-
ator for s^d meeting and he had the major vote by 22 voles
2ly the parish Chose Amos Perley Parish Clerk for y^e year Ensuing
3ly The parish Chose M^r John Hancock Capt Jeremiah Perley
M^r James Gushie 3 Committe men and afterwards for Deacon Eng^d
4ly the parish Chose M^r John Smith Colo^o one the north side
And Quarter master Samuell Pickard Colo^o One y^e South side
5ly the parish Chose Capt Joseph Hale Tecasurer for s^d parish for y^e year Ensuing
6ly The parish Chose John Buswell to Sweep the meeting house
and Keep y^e Keys Those offices above mentioned were all Unan-
imously Chosen

At a Legal parish meeting held in y^e first parish in Boston
april the 13 1744 (1) the parish Chose David wood Esq^r moderator
for s^d meeting (2) it was put to vote to see if y^e parish will make
a Grant of one hundred and Eighty pounds in Bills of Credit
y^e old tenor to be forthwith assessed by the present assessors
of y^e said parish on the polls & Estates of y^e Inhabitants of
said Parish to be paid in full Discharge of what the Committe or
Arbitrators to wit Capt Sam^l Kimball & others awarded y^e
parish to pay those men that do give y^e above s^d parish a lawful
title to the new meeting house and to the Land in y^e said award
Therein Being had and it passed in y^e affirmitive

At a Legal parish meeting in y^e first parish in Boston June 12 1744

1. The parish Chose M^r John Wood moderator for s^d meeting
2ly it was put to vote to see if the parish Chose a Committe to take a Deed
of y^e owners of y^e new meeting house as it was Set forth in y^e award
and it passed in y^e affirmitive 3ly the Committe Chosen to take y^e
Deed was David wood Esq^r a Deacon Tho^s Redington 3 Capt Jeremiah
Perley (4ly) it was put to vote to see if y^e parish would vote to
plaster y^e above s^d meeting house under y^e Beams and Joysts to
Silk and under y^e Galleries and it passed in y^e affirmitive
5ly it was put to y^e vote to see if y^e parish would have Sixteen
Inches Room Round y^e meeting house for pews and it passed in y^e
affirmitive

1st It was put to the vote to See if the parish would have an Alley from the fore Door to yd Pulpit the width of yd Door and a Row of Seats each side yd alley and Convenant alley the where the it passed in the affirmitive

2ly It was put to the vote to See if yd parish would have the old Seats and the Gallerys to be improved in finishing yd meeting house So far as was Convenient and it passed the affirmitive

3ly It was put to vote to See if the parish would Chuse a Comtte to Let out the finishing of yd House to them men that will do it Cheapest they Giving to said parish Security & it past in the affirmitive

At a Legal parish meeting held in Boxford first parish Novr 26 1744

1) the parish Chose Decr Thos Redington moderator for sd meeting

2ly The parish voted 2 hundred pounds old tenor for mr Revd Jonas Rogers his Sallery for ye year Currant

3ly The parish Chose Capt Jeremiah Dorely Decr Thos Redington Mr Josiah wood a Comtte for to Give Security for yd £180 now agreed for yd purching a title of yd new meetinghouse in sd parish to those men that Shall Give a Lawfull title to them of sd house and also for Comtte to Receive yd aforesd money out of ye treasury that is agreed for to purches sd house all which is to be done in Behalf of sd parish

At a Legal parish meeting held in yd first parish in Boxford January yd 16 Day 1744/5 (1) they Chose Mr John Symonds moderator for sd meeting (2ly) they voted 3 men Should be a Committe to finish yd new meeting house

3ly they Chose Mr John Fox Mr John Symonds Mr Francis Perley a Comtte to ye. Sd. work done

4ly It was voted that the pew Room Should be Disposed of towards finishing yd new meeting house

5ly It was voted that the old meeting house Should be sold Towards finishing yd new meeting house

6ly it was voted to Raise 2 hundred pounds old tenor to Enable yd Said Comtte to finish sd meeting house, if it Should all be wanted therefor and if it is not all wanted yd Remainder to be Disposed of as yd parish Shall See Cause

7 It was voted yt yd new meeting house Should be plaistered with Lime & hair all Below the Beam Down to the Lil[illegible] and that it be under pind well and pointed with lime

And two Tear of Seats to Be made in ye meeting house one side of ye Alley suitable from ye Door to ye pulpit and to Leave 6. feet of Room Round the meeting house and Communicant Alley in ye house the said house is to be Clabbarded & Lath & Glaze ye old house & Good wind w frames new Doors and to finish the Galleries and to make a new pulpit

At a Legal parish meeting held in the first parish In Boxford Febr ye 13th 1744/5

1) They Chose Mr John Symonds Moderator for ye meeting

2ly They voted that Mr John Wood Mr John Symonds Mr Francies Perley they being a Com: should Sell ye pew Room in the New meeting house and also Sell ye old meeting house and Give Title there for to ye purchaser or purchasers that shall Give ye most for them and ye parish to pay ye Com: for their trouble therein so far as they serve ye parish and it past in affermitive

3ly It was put to vote to See if the parish would alow ye Committe Chosen to Set out and oversee ye finishing of the new meeting house to Draw money out of ye parish Treasury to pay them for their Charge & Expence in that affair when they See fit and it pass in ye affermitive

4ly It was put to vote to See if ye parish would Raise more money to Defray the Charge and it past in ye negative

5ly it was voted there should Be 21 window in ye new meeting house all the window below the Galleys to have 28 Squares Each and all the windows in ye upper tear to have 24 Squares Each all ye said Squares to Be 9 inches one way & 7 inches ye other way and it past in ye affermitive

6ly It was voted to have ye meeting house finished by ye first day of December next Ens[uing] ye present Dat

9 Att a Legall Parish meeting held in Boxford first parish March the 19 day 1744.

(1) The parish Chose Thomas Redington moderator for Sd meeting

(2) Chose Wm. Foster Parish Clerk for y year Ensuing

(3) Chose Thó. Redington Comtt. man & Assessor

(4) Chose Thó. Perley Jun. Comtt. man & Assessor

(5) Chose Joseph Stickney Comtt man & Assessor for y. year Ensuing

6 Chose Joseph Hale Jun Colector for y. north Dis

7 Chose Elias Smith Colector for y. South Dis of Sd parish for y. year Ensuing

8 Chose Capt Jeremiah Perley Treasurer for the year Ensuing

9 Chose Capt Jeremiah Perley to Git y. Deed and Lease of y. New meeting house and Land Ajoyning Acknowleged and Recorded on y. Parishes Cost

10 voted to Buye two Books for y. use of y. Sd parish (viz) to pay ten shilling for one already Improved for y. Sd parish to Record voles in to y. owner Thereof: and to buy one more for the said parishes use

the above offiers have been and ware all Sworne to y. faithfull Discharge of their offis

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Att a Legal Parish meeting Held in Boxford first parish August y. 23: 1745

(1) The parish Chose Thomas Redington moderator for Sd meeting

(2) Voted that the Comittee y. ware Chosen to Dispose of or Sell y. pew Room in the New meeting House proceed to make Sale of Sd pews on Tusday the Twenteth day of Septr next at 12 of the Cloth

ond. Day att the New meeting house in Sd parish

(3) the Parish voted that they the Sd Comtte namely
Mr John Symonds Mr John Wood Mr Francis Perley
Who are Chosen to Sell the Pews Room &c shall order
the parish Clark to Enter the place where
Every mans Pew shall be, or is together with the
price they y Said men who purches Sd pews shall pay
for Sd pews and the names of Each or Every person
that Shall purches any of y Said pews in the Sd
parishes Book of Records: and that the Record so made
by y Sd parish Clark in Sd parishes Book shall be
a Suffient Title for the purcher of Sd Pews to hold their
Sd pew for themselves and heirs for Ever

4) Voted that the Comittee Chosen to finish Said new
meeting House (viz) Mr John Wood John Symonds
Francis Perley Leave Room for Pews in y Gallery
of Sd house where the Sd Seats are to be or are usefully
made and in lieu or Room thereof to make & Compleat
a Good & Sufficent window for y pulpit & One in Each
Gable End of Sd House

Ill Legall Parish meeting Held in
the First Parish in Sudbury Sept 27: 1725

(1) the parish Chose Mr Jeremiah Pearly moderator
for Sd meeting
2) it was put to vote to See whether the parish would
take in any Method that Mr John Rogers our
Last pastor Should have what his Salery is Behind
and to See what their is Wanting and it passed in y
Negitive
3 it was put to vote to See the parish would
grant a New Cushing for new pulpit & it passed
a Negitive

Ye Parish Chose William Forter to Provide Said Cushing on or at ye Cost and charge of ye D Parish

The following Record or Tilles Being the Records of the Pews or tilles that Each Further of ye Said Pews has for the Holding of their Pews which tille the Said Parish orders to be made to Each man for his Pew

No:(1) Being at the Right Hand of ye South Door as we pass in at ye Said Door & Belongs to Robert Andrew he paid thirty five pounds old tenor for ye Pew it Being Six feet from ye wall and five feet and Ten inches Long

No(2) Next to the above Pew Toward the East End and Belongs to John Symmes he paid Thirty one Pounds ten Shillings old tenor for Said Pew it Being Six feet from the wall and Five feet & ten inches Long

No(3) Next to the above said Pew Toward the East End under the Stairs and Belongs to John Peabody junr He paid Eighteen pound old tenor it Being Six feet from the wall and five feet & ten inches Long

No (4) at the East End By the Stairs on the left Hand of the Door and Belongs Francis Foxcroft he paid Twenty Seven Pounds old tenor it Being Six feet from y^e^ wall and Six feet & Eight Inches Long

No (5) on the Right Hand of the East Door and Belongs to Nathaniel Symonds he paid Thirty two pounds old tenor for said pew it Being Six Feet from the wall and five feet and five inches Long

No (6) Still Towards y^e^ North East Corner and Belongs to Joseph Hale Junr he paid Thirty one pounds old tenor for s^d^ Pew it being Six Feet from y^e^ wall and five feet and five Inches Long

No (7) at y^e^ North East Corner at y^e^ East End he paid Fifteen Pounds Ten Shillings old tenor for s^d^ pew it Being Six feet & Eleven Inches from y^e^ wall and five feet & Seven inches Long

No (8) Joyning to y^e^ Corner Pew Twards y^e^ Pulpet on the North Side and Belongs to Thomas Andrews Junr he paid Thirty pounds Fifteen Shillings old tenor for s^d^ Pew it Being Six feet from y^e^ wall and Six feet & five inches Long

No (9) Next y^e^ Pulpit and Belongs to the widow Martha Dorman ~~and Belongs~~ She paid Twenty five pounds old tenor for said Pew it Being Six feet from the wall and Six feet & five inches Long.

No (30)

No 31) at y^e^ west Side of the Pulpet Joyning to y^e^ Corner Pew and Belongs to Amos Tuttey he paid Twenty four pounds Old Tenor it Being Six feet from y^e^ wall and Five feet Five inches Long

No 32) in y^e^ Northwest Corner and Belongs to Asa Pearley he paid Fifteen Pound old tenor for ye Pew it Being five feet & half from y^e^ wall the one way and five feet & nine inches y^e^ other way

No 33) at y^e^ west End Joyning to y^e^ Northwest Corner Pew and Belongs to Oliver Andrews he paid Twenty Eight pounds Ten Shilling old tenor for Said Pew it Being six feet from y^e^ wall and five feet & five Inches Long

No 34) at y^e^ Left Hand Coming in at y^e^ west Door & Belongs to John Wood he paid Twenty five pounds five Shilling Old Tenor for ye Pew it Being Six feet from the wall & five feet & five inches Long

No 35) at y^e^ west End By the Stairs at y^e^ Right hand of y^e^ Door and Belongs to Jonathan Byxbe he paid Twenty Nine pounds & five Shillings old tenor for Said Pew it Being Six feet from y^e^ wall and Six feet & Eight Inches Long

No 36) under the mens Stairs at y^e^ four Side and Belongs to John Hale he paid Twenty five pounds old Tenor for Said Pew it Being Six feet from y^e^ wall and five feet & nine inches Long

No. 17 Joyning to John Hales at y^e South side towards y^e Door and Belongs to Jeremiah Pearly & Thomas Redington they Payd Thirty one pounds ten Shillings old tenor they Having Equall Shares therein and it Being Six feet from y^e wall and five feet & nine inches Long

No. 18 at y^e left hand of the South Door and Belongs to Aaron Kimball he Paying Thirty two pounds old tenor it Being Six feet from the wall and five feet & nine inches Long

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It is To be understood that y^e Pews namely Number Five & Number Eight are to have their Corners Taken off in order For a Convenient Room for a Door to Enter into y^e Pews &c. And Also that No^r Eleven and No^r Twelve and No^r are to have their Corners also taken off for a Convenient Door to No^r Two No^r being

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Boxford Sept^r 27 1756

Received By us John Wood Jr Stanley Symonds and Francis Perley of the Several Persons who purchased Pews in the new meeting house in the first parish in Boxford about the sum of Four Hundred & Fifty pounds Five Shillings old tenor for our Charges in furnishing the New meeting house as Witness our Hands

Solomon Wood
John Hale

John Symonds
Francis Perley

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At a Legal Parish Meeting held
for y^e^ Inh^ts^ of Parish of Boston October y^e^ 18^th^
Day Anno Dom 1710

(1) The Parish Chose Robert Andrews Moderator
for y^e^ meeting

(2) It was Put to y^e^ vote to See if y^e^ Parish would
Chuse a Com^tte^ to Reckon with all the Treasurs
and Receivers that have been in Parish Since
it was a parish and it pased in y^e^
affirmative

(3) The Parish Chose Thomas Redington Thomas
Andrews & Jam^s^ Loyd a Com^tte^ to Reckon with
The Treasurers and Receivers afores^d^

(4) The Parish Chose Jam^s^ Porter Abeneazer
Porter to Reckon with Mr^r^ John Rogers
our Recv^r^ Water and to See what of his
Salery is Behind or unpaid in y^e^ year when
Brom Kimball & Jacob Dexley were Colect^rs
and to Take a Receipt of him for what he
Shall Rec^e^ of ye Salery

(5) It was Put to y^e^ vote to See if y^e^ Parish
would Dispose of y^e^ Room in y^e^ Gallerey
of y^e^ New meeting house where y^e^ hind Seats
Stands Now and it pased in the Negitive

(6) It was Put whether y^e^ Petition of Jonathan
Bryden Jr^r^ Should be Granted & it
pased in the Negitive

(7) It was put to the vote whether the parish would chuse a Committ to Seat the New meeting house and it paſsed in the affermitive

8 The parish chose Nathaniel Symonds Robert Hale & John Hale a Comitte to Seat the New meeting house

9 it was put whether the parish would buy a New book to Record Rate Votes &c & it paſsed in the affermitive —

10 the Parish chose Jonathan Wood to purchy the above Sd Book to Record Rate & votes in on y^e Parishes Cost

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At a Legal Parish meeting held in the First parish in Boxford Nov^r y^e 8. 1745.

1: chose Thomas Redington moderator for sd meeting

2: it was put whether y^e Pelhous & Sundry young men Refaring to the Pew Room in y^e South & west Galleries of y^e New meeting house should be Granted & it paſsed in the Negitive

3 it was voted that the Comitte who were chosen to over See the finishing of y^e New meeting house Should over See y^e finishing or Building y^e pews in Galleries of sd house also

4: voted that the Reciept that was given by John Symonds & Francis Peabody to the parish for money they had Rec^d [illegible]

Said House be Recorded in the Parish book

5: Voted that Capt Peabody be alowed four pounds old tenor for his Service to Salem Court in Stoping a Petition brought their by Mr John Rogers our parter

6: Voted that Jonathan Byxbe be alowed ten Shillings old Tenor for Service done at Salem Court with Capt Peabody &c

7: Voted that Jon[a] wood be paid two pounds Ten Shillings old tenor for a Boot & Trouse he procured for the paul

8: Voted John Peabody four pounds old tenor for keeping the meeting house two year

It was put whether the parish would pray the Constable for traveling from house to house towards parish meeting hereafter and it past in the Negative

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At a legal Parish Meeting holden in the first parish in Boxford Nov[r] 12. 1745.

1. Chose Mr Jon[a] Symonds moderator for said meeting

2. Voted that the Committ shall have power Lawfully to act and Rates for Real Estate But not be confined Strictly to Either but to vary in some cases according to their Judgment & Discretion

At a legal Parish meeting held in the first parish in Bedford December y^e 20: 1796

1: Chose Thomas Pedington Moderator for Ensuing
2: it was to the vote whether the parish would accept of y^e New meeting House and it passed in the
3. it was voted to alow the Comitte that was chosen to finish the new meeting house the Sume of Sixe Hundred and fifty two pounds In Bills of y^e old tenor Excluding what they have already had in full Discharge for finishing said House
4 it was put whether the parish would alow the Collectors that Gathers the money for finishing the New meeting House forty Shilling old tenor Each for their trouble and it past in the affermitive
5 Voted to defend the Comitte that are to sell the old meeting house from any Persons or person that may molest Disturbe or Demand any part of S^d House
6: Chose Deacon Parley to buy a New Cushion for y^e New pulpit on y^e parish Cost
7 voted y^t the Parish meet in the meeting house on Sunday next for Religious Services
8. voted that for the future the Comittee posting up their warrant for parish meetings on some publick place in said parish Shall be Judged a Sufficient warning for parish meetings for the Time to Come

9: Voted to Chuse a Comitte to Receive the income from of Said Land that is Conway for Benefit of the Newmarket house

10 Chose Capt Stephen Peabody James Curtice John Hale a Comitte for the above Said Service

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At a Legal Parish meeting on Febuary 21st 1745

(1) Chose Thomas Redington moderator

(2) Voted y: Revd Mr John Rogers Two Hundred pound old tenor for his Salery for this Present year

(3) the parish alowed y: Following bills of Charge (viz) To Capt Jer: Parley For his Charg in Giting the Conwaynce of y: meeting and Land it Stands on Acknowledge and Record y Sum of three pounds two Shillings & six pence old tenor

To Saml Goodridge for Sweeping y: Meeting house three years four pounds Ten Shillings old Tenor

To Francis Perley For a Flying Eight pounds old tenor

To John Andrews Saml. Gould Wm Andrews for Reckoning with y: Treasurers Ge one pound Sixteen Shillings old tenor To John Buswell for Sweeping y: Meeting house two years forty Shillings old tenor

(4) voted to have Twenty pounds old tenor to be laid in y: Rate above d of two Hundred pounds which Sum of 20l is to Defray Parish Charges

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At a legal parish meeting held in y: first parish in Boxford March 18th 1745 Chose John Symonds Moderator for s: Meeting

Chose Robert Andrews 1st Comtee Man for y: year enuing

2ly Chose Joseph Hale Jnr 2nd Comtee man
for ye year enfuing
3ly Chose John Peabody Jnr 3rd Comtee man
for ye year enfuing
4ly voted that ye above sd Committee men
Should be Assessors for ye year enfuing
5ly Chose Thos Redington Parish Clerk
6ly Chose Timothy Stiles Collector for ye South side
7ly Chose John Hale Collector for ye North Side
for ye year enfuing
8 Chose Capt Jer Perley parish treasurer for
ye year enfuing

At a Legal Parish Meeting on Jan 1st 1745
1st Chose Thos Redington Moderator for sd Meeting
2ly voted that ye Revd Mr John Rogers shall
have two Hundred & fifty pounds old tenor for
his Salary for ye year enfuing provided he will enter
into an obligation of one Hundred pounds for future
that there shall be no wood nor timber Cut nor
Carried off from ye pasonage farm for one year next
enfuing any more then he shall have occasion
for for his own perticuler fire and for repairing ye
fences on sd pasonage the above sd obligation to
be given to ye parish Comtee in behalf of sd parish
And in case ye sd Mr Rogers will not enter into
ye above sd obligation when requested then he
have one Hundred & fifty pounds old tenor for his
Salary for ye year enfuing
3ly voted to have gutters put up at ye back side of
ye Meeting house and to have ye inside of ye Roof
pointed with lime to prevent ye Snows blowing in
4 Chose Jamll Dorman to see ye above sd work done
5 voted to Thos Redington fifty Shillings old tenor
for Sweeping ye Meeting house in ye year 1745

Att a Legal Parish meeting held in the first Parish in Boxford February 20, 1746/7

1st The parish chose Mr. John Symonds Moderator

2dly voted to Reconsider the vote that was past at a parish meeting in Boxford afore said on ye first day of January last past referring to our Revd Minister Mr. John Rogers Salary

3dly voted that our Revd Minister Mr. John Rogers shall have two Hundred pounds old tenor for his Salary for this present year which will end in July next

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Att Legal Parish meeting held in Boxford first parish March 24th 1746/7

1st The Parish chose Jacob Smith Moderator

2dly chose Jacob Smith first Comtee Man for ye year enfuing

3dly chose Ensign Joseph Hale 2nd Comittee man for ye year enfuing

4dly chose Samuel Stirke 3rd Comtee man for ye year enfuing

5dly voted that ye Comtee above sd shall serve as Assessors ye year enfuing

6dly Chose John Dorman Parish Treasurer for ye year enfuing.

7dly Chose Tho. Redington Parish Clerk for ye year enfuing

8 Chose Joseph Symonds Collector for ye South side of ye Parish for ye year enfuing

9dly Chose Moses Perley Collector for ye north side of ye Parish for ye year enfuing

10dly It was put to vote to See if ye Parish would accept of ye Reckoning made by John Andrews dec. Tho. Andrews & Samll Gould with our former Treasurers & Receivers & it past in ye Affirmative

11dly voted Chose Robert Andrews William Foster & Joseph Hale Jur to receive ye money which is due from ye above sd Treasurers

12dly voted to Impower ye above sd Comtee to recover ye above sd Money which appears due to ye parish by ye above sd Reckoning and return ye money they shall recover to sd parish

13 voted that the Town Stock of Ammunition shall be kept in our Meeting house

14ly The parish chose Capt Jer: Perley Capt Nathall Perkins & John Peabody Jur to purchas some Land lying by Land in posession of Mr Rogers and also voted to Impower Sd Comtee to take a Conveyence of Sd Land for ye use of in behalf of Sd parish and likewise to give Security for ye payment of ye money which they shall agree to give for Sd Land in behalf of Sd parish

The Parish Assessors Collectors & Clerk are sworn to ye faithfull discharge of their respective offices

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Att a Legal Parish Meeting held in Boxford first parish on June 1st 1747

1st The parish chose Mr Jacob Smith Moderator

2ly It was put to vote to See if ye parish would come into some Method to Supply ye pulpit and it past in ye Affirmative

3ly The parish chose Mr John Symonds and Capt Jer: Perley to provide a good orthodox person to Supply ye pulpit for ye present

4ly The parish voted that ye person provided to Supply the pulpit Shall be paid out of the parish Treasury

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Att a Legal Parish Meeting ~~in ye first parish in Boxford~~ on Wednesday July 29th 1747

1st The parish chose Capt Jer: perley Moderator

2ly voted to raise two Hundred pounds old tenor to defray parish Charges

3ly voted to Imply Mr Jacob Bacon to Supply our pulpit for preaching for ye Space of one quarter of a year after next Lords day

4ly chose Mr John Symonds Capt Jer: perley & Thos Redington to agree with Mr Bacon for ye above Sd quarter of a year and in case Mr Bacon dont See cause to Stay among us for ye above Sd purpose then to agree with any other Suitable person for the above Sd Term

and also to See that ye Minister or ministers so agreed with be paid for their Service out of ye parish Treasury. And likewise to provide entertainment for him during sd Term

~~ye first parish in Boxford~~
Att a Legal parish Meeting on wednesday Novr the 6th 1747

1st The parish chose Capt Stephen Peabody Moderator

2ly Chose Capt Jer. Perley Mr John wood and Mr John Peabody Jur a Comtee to agree with Mr Jacob Bacon to Supply our pulpit for preaching one quarter of a year after the next Sabath

3ly Chose Robert Andrews Capt Joseph Hale John Wood Thos Redington & Thos Perley a Comtee to discourse with our Revd pastor Mr John Rogers to See if he will be willing to acquit all his rights & Interests in ye town of Boxford and in sd parish for a certain Sum of money

~~ye first parish in Boxford~~
Att a Legal Parish Meeting on Tuesday Jan 5th 1747/8

1st The parish chose Capt Stephen Peabody Moderator

2ly voted to chuse a Committee to reckon with ye Revd Mr John Rogers to know what Arears of Salary is due to him from the time we became a parish till he left preaching in order to have ye parish pay ye Same

3ly Chose Robert Andrews Thomas Perley and John Peabody Jur to Serve as a Comtee for ye above sd purpose

4ly Voted that ye above sd Committee Shall also See if Mr Roges will acquit his right & Interest in ye Houses and Lands he is in posession of in sd parish or any part thereof for a reasonable Sum of money

5ly voted to allow Capt Jer: Perley 16 Shillings old tenor for his Service in purchersing Land for sd parish 21 Shillings which he paid David Foster for bringing Mr Bacon among us & 2/ for he paid ye acknowledging a deed
Also allowed John Peabody Jur 16 Shillings old tenor for his Service in purchersing Land for sd parish & 14 Shillings he paid more then ye money he received
6ly voted to ajourn sd Meeting to ye 15th day of Jan: currant at one of ye Clock after noon

At a Legal Parish Meeting by ajournment on Jan: 15th 1747/8
1st voted to allow Deacon David Foster forty Shillings old tenor for his time Spent in bringing Mr Jacob Bacon into Town
2ly voted to allow Jonathan Wood thirty shillings old tenor per week for his keeping Mr Jacob Bacon and his Horse from ye first of Sept last to ye first of Decr last being 13 weeks 19-10-0 and from ye first of Decr 6 weeks 2-0-0 per week old tenor — — 12-0-0
3ly voted to raise two Hundred pounds old tenor to pay Mr Bacon for his preaching and to defray other necessary charges arising in sd parish
4ly voted to hire Mr Jacob Bacon one quarter of a year after ye present quarter is out to supply our pulpit with preaching
5ly chose William Foster Thomas Perley and John Peabody Jur to reckon with Mr John Symonds Mr John Wood & Mr Francis Perley who were a Comtee to finish our Meeting house to See what of ye parish's money they have in their hands
6ly it was put to vote to See if they would allow ye Revd Mr John Rogers any thing for his Maintainence ye present year and it past in ye negative

17 in ye first parish in Boxford (to chuse parish offic

Att a Legal Parish Meeting on March 14th 1747/8

1st The parish chose Mr John Symonds Moderator for sd meeting

2 - chose Thomas Perley first Committee man for ye year enfuing

3 - chose Aaron Kimball Second Comtee man for ye year enfuing

4 - chose Lenst Jeremiah Foster third Comtee man for ye year enfuing

5 - voted that ye above sd Committee men shall serve as Afsessors for ye year enfuing

6 - chose Thomas Redington parish Clerk for ye year enfuing

7 - chose Robert Andrews Collector for ye year enfuing

8 - chose Capt Nathl perkins Collitor for ye year enfuing

9 - chose Enfign Joseph Hale Parish Treasurer for ye year enfuing

10 - voted that ye Revd Mr John Rogers shall have one Hundred & twenty pounds old tenor towards his maintainence this present year

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Att a Legal Meeting of ye Inhabitants of ye first Parish in Boxford that are qualified by Law to vote in Parish meetings on April 6, 1748

1st Chose Capt Stephen Peabody moderator for sd meeting

2dly voted to chuse a Comttee to provide a good orthodox person to supply our pulpit in ye first Parish in Boxford and also to provide him a place of entertainment

3dly voted that ye Committee for calling Parish meetings viz Thos Perley Lenst Jer Foster & Aaron Kimball shall serve as a Comtee to provide sd Minister to supply our pulpit and also provide him a place of entertainment

4dly voted to chuse a Committee to anfwer to ye Revd Mr John Rogers complaint at ye Honourable Sefsions of ye peace against sd parish

5dly Chose Mr John Wood Mr Francis Perley & Thos Redington to defend ye parish at ye General Sefsions of ye peace against against ye Revd Mr Rogers's compleint against sd parish

6dly Chose Jonathan Wood Collector instead of Capt Nathl perkins who was said to be excufed on account of his Commission The above sd officers are sworn as ye Law directs

7ly voted to raise two Hundred pounds old tenor to defray ye riseu & rising charges in sd parish

~~in ye first parish in Boxford~~

Att a Legal Parish meeting May 11th 1748

1st Chose Capt Stephen Peabody Moderator for sd meeting

2ly voted that ye Committee chosen to defend the Parish against Mr Rogers's Complaint against sd Parish shall emply a Lawyer in that case

3ly voted that ye two Hundred pounds old tenor which hath been voted to defray parish charges and the Hundred & twenty pounds old tenor voted towards Mr Rogers's maintainence be both laid in one Rate

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Att a Legal parish ~~meeting in ye first parish in Boxford~~ meeting on June 10th 1748

1st Chose Capt Stephen Peabody Moderator for sd day

2ly voted to chuse a Comtee to defend ye parish against against a Complaint or petition perfer red against ye parish at ye General Sessions of ye peace to be holden at Salem on ye 2nd tuesday of July next by ye Revd Mr John Rogers

3ly Chose Thos Redington Capt Stephen Peabody & Mr Francis Perley a Committee to defend ye parish against ye above sd Complaint

4ly voted that the Parish Committee shall draw forty pounds old tenor out of ye parish treasury and deliver ye same to ye above sd Comtee to defray ye charge that shall arise in defending sd parish against sd Complaint they to return ye overplus if any there be and if sd forty pounds should not be enough then ye above sd parish Comtee to draw a sufficiency out of ye Treasury for ye above sd purpose

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At a Legal parish Meeting held in ye first parish in Boxford on ye 11th day of July 1748

1st Chose Capt Stephen Peabody Moderator for sd meeting

2ly ~~It~~ was put to ye vote to see if ye parish would hire Mr Swain to preach ye gospel among us as long as ye parish ye parish shall Judge proper & it past in ye negative

3ly voted that ye Parish Assessors shall serve as a Comtee to supply ye pulpit in our parish for one quarter of a year

At a Legal Parish Meeting held in the first Parish in Boxford on ~~Friday~~ August 15th 1748

1st Chose Capt Stephen Peabody Moderator for sd Meeting

2dly It was put to vote to See if ye Parish would leave ye whole of ye differences and Controvercys between the Revd Mr John Rogers & ye Parish both with respect to ye arears of Salary which (as he Says) is due to him and also with respect to ye damage done on ye parsonage Since Mr Rogers took posession thereof and all other Controversies and debates whatsoever between sd parties to be determined & decided by men Mutually chosen by sd parties for that purpose and it past in ye affirmative

3dly voted to give ye Revd Mr John Rogers ye Sum of three Hundred & fifty pounds old tenor yearly during ye time of his Natural life on condition he will acquit his right in & deliver up posession of all ye Houses and Lands he or has been in posession of within said parish to ye parish, and also acquit his right to his Salary for ye future. And the Town vote that was past at Mr Rogers's Settlement for ye payment of ye Sixscore pounds at his decease to remain Still in force and if Mr Rogers will not comply with ye above said Sum on ye Conditions above expressed then to give him two Hundred & fifty pounds old tenor yearly during his natural life on condition he will acquit his Salary for ye future and also acquit his right in & deliver up to said parish ye posession of all ye Lands he is or has been in posession of within sd parish except ye ten acres on & near which his House Stands

4thly Chose Capt Jer. Perley Mr John Wood & Tho Redington a Committee to go to ye Revd Mr Rogers & know of him whither he will comply with ye terms expressed in ye above sd votes and if not to use their best endeavor to know of him on what terms he will agree and to make their report to ye parish

5thly Chose Mr John Symond. Mr Joseph Symonds & Mr Robert Andrews to Supply the desk in sd parish with a good orthodox person for one month after ye Revd Mr Bacons quarter of a year is up which will be ye 4th day of Sept next

6thly voted that ye parish Assessors shall draw money out of ye parish treasury for ye payment of sd Ministerial

Att a Legal Parish Meeting held in ye first parish in Boxford Octo 19th 1748

1st Chose Thomas Redington moderator for sd meeting

2ly voted to Invite Mr Joseph Swain to preach ye gospel to us three months

3ly Chose Mr John Symonds, Mr Joseph Symonds & Mr Robert Andrews a Comtee to agree with Mr Swain & also to provide a place for him to keep at

4ly voted to give Mr Swain as much for each Sabbath he shall preach for us as ye above sd Comtee shall agree with him for not exceeding eight pounds old tenor said Committee to use their best endeavour to git him a cheap as they can

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Att a Legal Parish meeting in ye first Parish in Boxford Decr 15th 1748

1st Chose Capt Stephen Peabody moderator

2ly voted to alow Mr John Symonds forty two pounds two Shillings old tenor for 30-0-0 he paid Mr Hancock for preaching 12/ expenies in going to agree with him & 30/ for his entertainment

3ly voted to ajorn ye meeting to ye 21st day of Decr Instant at two a clock afternoon

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Att a Legal Parish meeting in ye first Parish in Boxford Decr 21st 1748

1st Chose Capt Stephen Peabody moderator

2ly voted to allow Capt Stephen Peabody Francis Perley & Thos Redington one Hundred & Seventeen pounds one Shilling old tenor for their charge in defending the Parish against Mr Rogers's Complaint against sd parish

3ly voted to allow Capt Jer Perley fifty Shilling old tenor for his charge as an Evidence in Mr Rogers's case

4ly voted to allow Capt Joseph Hale thirty nine Shillings old tenor for his charge as an evidence in Mr Rogers's case

5ly voted to allow Mr John Wood forty four pounds twelve pounds four Shillings & Six pence old tenor for his charge in Mr Rogers's case

6ly Chose James Curtis Joseph Hale jur & Thos Redington Committee to go to ye Revd Mr Parkhurst treat with him about agreement with respect to ye arrears of

his Salary which he claims as his d.e from the parish

7th Voted that y.e above.d Comtee shall observe the following Instructions viz to represent to Mr Rogers that whereas y.e Honourable Justices of y.e Court of Sessions, in ajusting y.e account between him and y.e parish respecting his Salary considered not only y.e Sixty pounds first granted as Salary but also y.e next Salary and made full allowance for y.e Said money upon both s.d Sums which was not y.e design of y.e Town in granting y.e 20 pounds that being Intended only to make good y.e first 60 to that day, tho through some mistake or Slip of y.e pen (as we conceive) it Stands so recorded as it appeared to s.d Court to be his Legal due. And also whereas we have been at y.e cost of hiring a Minister Since he has left preaching wherefore s.d Comtee are to use their best endeavours to know of him whither upon y.e above considerations or any other consideration he will abate any part of y.e Sum s.d Court has ordered our parish to pay him, and how much he will abate provided y.e parish will pay him the remaining part of s.d Sum as soon as may be without any further trouble

8th Voted to ajourn s.d meeting to Tuesday y.e 3.d of Jan.r next at two a clock after noon

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Att a Legal parish Meeting held in y.e first parish in Boxford by ajournment on Tuesday Jan: 3.d 1748

1st It was put to vote to See if y.e parish would Grant and Agree upon themselves y.e Sum of one thousand two Hundred & Sixty eight pounds Seven Shillings & ten pence old tenor bills, according to y.e judgment of y.e Honourable Justices of y.e Court of General Sessions of y.e peace, and also cost of Court being fifteen pounds Seventeen Shillings & eleven pence to be paid to y.e Rev.d Mr John Rogers. And it past in y.e negative

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Att a Legal Parish meeting held in y.e first parish in Boxford on Jan: 18th 1748

1st Chose Mr John Wood Moderator for s.d meeting

2dly It was put to vote to See if y.e Parish will be at y.e extraordinary charge of maintaining two Ministers and it past in y.e negative

3ly y^t was put to vote to vote to see if the parish would invite Mr Joseph Swain to preach the gospel among us & it past in y^e negative

Att a Legal Parish meeting held in y^e first Parish in Boxford Feb 2nd 1748/9

1st Chose Mr John Wood moderator for s^d meeting

2ly voted to chuse a Committee to go to y^e Revd Mr John Rogers and enform him that it is y^e desire & expectation of y^e s^d first parish in Boxford, that for y^e future he will, well & constantly perform y^e dutys belonging to y^e office of a minister among us, either by himself or some other orthodox person in his Room

3ly voted that chose Mr John Wood. Mr Jeremiah Foster & Mr Joseph Stinknee a Committee for y^e above s^d purpose

Also voted that y^e above s^d Com^tee shall use their best endeavour to know of Mr Rogers whither he will comply with what is expressed in y^e above s^d Article, and also to make their report to y^e parish

Att a Legal Parish meeting held in y^e first Parish in Boxford March Seventh 1748/9

1st Chose Thomas Redington moderator

2ly Chose Robert Andrews Joseph Hale Jun^r and Jonathan Bixby Parish Committee for calling Parish meetings &c y^e year enfuing

3ly voted that y^e above s^d Committee serve as Assessors for y^e year enfuing

4ly Chose Thomas Redington Parish Clerk for y^e year enfuing

5ly Chose Jacob Smith & Asa Perley Collectors for y^e year enfuing

6 Chose Thomas Perley Parish Treasurer for y^e year enfuing

7ly Chose Samuel Dorman to Sweep & take care of y^e meeting house y^e year enfuing

8ly voted to give ye Revd Mr John Rogers the Sum of two Hundred & fifty pound old tenor Bills for his Salary ye ~~present~~ year ~~enfuing~~ ensuing on condition he deliver up posession of ye parsonage farm forthwith to ye Parish Committee for ye use & benefit of ye parish and also on Condition he give a receipt in full for his Salary for sd year upon his receiving said Sum

9ly voted to allow Capt Jer. Perley five pounds old tenor for his Serving five years as parish Treasurer

10ly voted to allow Samuel Dorman four pounds old tenor for his taking care of ye meeting house ye year past

11ly Chose William Foster. Joseph Symonds and Joshua Andrews a Committee to reckon with ye for former parish Treasurers that have not been reckoned with

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Att a Legal parish meeting held in ye first Parish in Boxford May 23rd 1749

1st Chose Capt Jer. Perley moderator

2ly voted to release Mr Jacob Smith from Serving as Collector and to chuse another in his room

3ly Chose John Dorman Collector for said Parish in Stead of Jacob Smith

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Att a Legal parish meeting held in ye first parish in Boxford June 5th 1749

1st Chose Thomas Redington moderator

2ly voted to chuse a Committee to agree with ye Revd Mr John Rogers for a certain Sum of money to acquit his House and Land and parsonage and all his rights claims & pretentions in Boxford and to give bonds for said money and to take an acquittance of sd Rogers

3ly Chose Mr. Nathll Symonds. Ebenr. Curtis
Tho. Andrews Jos. Stickney & Ensign Joseph
Hale a Committee for ye above sd purpose
4ly voted to raise two Hundred pounds old
tenor to defray parish charges
5ly voted to allow Mr. John wood
Seven pounds old tenor for his hiring
Mr. Gardner to preach one day
6ly voted to allow Mr. Nathll Symonds Seven
pounds old tenor for his hiring Mr. Swain
to preach one day
7ly voted to allow Mr. Richard Kimball & Mr.
Timothy Stiles Seven pounds old tenor
for their hiring Mr. Swain to preach one day
8ly voted to allow Mr. John Dorman three
pounds old for his boarding Mr. Swain

At a Legal Parish meeting held in the first
parish in Botford July 29th 1749
1st Chose Mr. John wood Moderator for sd meeting
2ly voted to hire a Schooler or preacher to preach
ye gospel among us two months
3ly chose Tho' Redington & John Dorman to hire
sd preacher ye above sd two months
4ly voted to give Mr. Moses Hale of Haverhil
ten pounds old tenor for preaching two days
5ly voted to give Mr. Moses Hale of Byfield or
Rowley twelve pounds old tenor for his
preaching two days

Att a Legal Parish meeting held in the
first Parish in Boxford on Munday ye Seventh
day of August 1749

1st Chose Mr. John Wood moderator for sd meeting

2dly It was put to vote to See if ye Parish would
comply with ye proposals or terms offered to
said Parish by ye Revd Mr John Rogers in a
letter bearing date May 23rd 1749 and it
past in ye negative

3dly It was put to vote to See if ye Parish would
give ye Revd Mr John Rogers ye Sum of
two thousand pounds good passable Bills of
Credit of ye old tenor one thousand pounds
whereof to be paid ye first day of February
next after ye date hereof And ye other thous-
and pounds ye first day of Feb: in ye year
of our Lord Seventeen Hundred & fifty fifty one
and if sd Rogers should die before ye above sd
time or times of payments be expired then
sd payments to be made to his Heirs And after
ye last time of ye above sd payments is expired
then to pay one Hundred pounds old tenor
a year to sd Rogers for ten years from
thence next enfuing provided he shall live
so long, but in case he die before sd ten
years be expired then no further payment
to be made after his death All ye above sd
payments to be made in Bills of Credit of ye
old tenor att ye value or rate they now pass
All ye above sd payments also to be on Condition
sd Rogers will give a full discharge of any
and all demands on sd parish which he might
claim as his due by virtue of any any vote
or votes made heretofore either by Town or
parish or order or Judgment of ye Court of
Generel Sefsions of ye peace And also for

his future maintainence or any other thing whatsoever. And provided also sd Rogers & his Heirs shall give an authentick & full quit claim to sd parish of all ye buildings and all ye Lands that they or any of them are in posession of, or have any claim to within sd parish, and it past in ye affirmative
4 Chose Mr John Wood Thos Redington and Jer: Foster a Comtee to enform ye Revd Mr Rogers of what votes have been past by sd parish on ye above sd Articles and to know of him whither he will comply with ye terms expressed in ye same, and make their report to ye parish

At a Legal Parish meeting held in ye first Parish in Boxford on ye 21st day of Sept 1749
1st Chose Capt Jer: Perley moderator for sd meeting
2dly It was put to vote to see if ye parish would give ye Revd Mr John Rogers a certain sum for his support ye present year, and it past in ye negative
3dly Chose Thos Redington to provide a preacher three months after ye next Sabath to supply ye pulpit with preaching
4thly voted to raise one Hundred pounds old tenor to be laid out in two Hundred pounds old tenor which was granted ye fifth of June last, to defray parish charges
5thly voted to give Mr Moses Hale 5-10-0 old tenor per week for his preaching among us

At a Parish meeting held in Boxford first parish on ye 18th of Decr 1749
1st Chose John Wood Moderator
2dly Chose William Foster Parish Clerk for ye day
3dly voted to hire a orthordox preacher 3 months more or less.
4thly voted to hire a preacher to supply ye pulpit three months
5thly voted that one man should serve as

as a Committee
6 Chose Joseph Symonds to hire a preacher three months, and to provide for him as shall be thought necessary Wm Foster Par Cler for ye day
A True Coppie attest Thos Redington Par Cler

At a Legal Parish Meeting held in ye first Parish in Boxford March 6th 1749/50
1st Chose Mr Jacob Smith moderator for sd meeting
2ly Chose Thomas Redington Parish Clerk
3ly Chose John Dorman. William Foster & Thomas Andrews Committee men to call Parish meetings
4ly voted that sd Comtee men shall serve as Assessors for ye year ensuing
5 Chose Ephraim Kimball & James Curtis Assessors for ye year ensuing
6ly Chose Thomas Perley Parish Treasurer
7ly It was put to vote to see if ye Parish would give any thing for Mr Rogers's Support for ye present year & it past in ye negative
8ly voted to allow William Foster Six pounds old tenor for his attendence at Court and expenes in Mr Rogers's case
9ly voted to allow Samll Dorman four pounds old tenor for Sweeping ye meeting house ye year past
10ly It was put to vote to see if ye Parish would give Mr Rogers two thousand five Hundred pounds old tenor as ye money is now on condition Mr Rogers & his Heirs will acquit to ye first Parish in Boxford afore sd all their rights and Interest in buildings & Lands in ye sd first parish. And also that money the Honourable Justices of ye Court of General Sessions of ye peace hath ordered him to be paid by sd parish, and also reliniquish his pastoral office for ye future

Att a Legal parish meeting in y^e first parish in Boxford on March 16^th 1749/50

1^st Chose William Foster moderator

2^ly voted to hire a ~~schoolmaster~~ preacher six months

3^ly Chose Joseph Symonds to hire a preacher the time aforesd & provide for him in behalf of y^e parish

4^ly Chose Lieut William Foster to appear at y^e Court of General Sessions of y^e peace to be holden at Ipswich on y^e last Tuesday of y^e March current & ~~reading~~ make Complaint in behalf of sd parish respecting Mr Rogers's Complaint according to y^e order of sd Court

Att a Legal parish meeting held in y^e first Parish in Boxford on May 1^st 1750

1^st Chose William Foster moderator

2 It was put to vote to see if y^e parish would choose a Committee to agree with y^e Revd Mr John Rogers in behalf of sd Parish and it past in y^e negative

3^ly It was put to vote to see if y^e Parish would invite Mr Joseph Swain to preach y^e gospel among us on probation or in order to Settlement in sd parish, and it past in y^e negative

Att a Legal Parish meeting held in y^e first parish in Boxford on y^e 9th day of June 1750

1^st chose Thomas Redington Moderator for sd meeting

2^ly It was put to vote whether y^e parish would that y^e Revd Mr John Rogers should be dismissed from y^e pastoral Relation he stands in to y^e Church & inhabitants belonging to y^e parish aforesd as soon as y^e Same may be done by a Council that be orderly called for that purpose & it past in y^e Affirmative

3^ly voted that y^e Parish will pay y^e charge of a Council for y^e purposes aforesd or such part of sd charge as shall be necessary for y^e Church to bear

4ly Voted to allow Joseph Symonds Six Shillings lawfull money for one Jorney to Cambridge and another to Reading to hire preachers

5ly Voted to allow Jer: Josler two Shillings for a Jorney to Reading to hire a preacher

6ly Voted to allow Richard Kimball one Shilling & four pence for a Jorney to Haverhil & Byfield to hire preachers

7ly Voted to allow William Josler fifteen Shillings for his attending at Ipswich Court to make answer to Mr Rogers's petition

At a Legal Parish meeting held in y^e first parish in Boxford July 31 1750

1st Chose Tho^s Kimpton moderator

2ly It was put to vote to See if y^e parish would petition y^e Great & General Court at their Session in August next for Some relief respecting Mr Rogers's affairs and y^e difficulty that attends us in that account with regard to his arrears and Salary. And it past in y^e negative

At a Legal Parish Meeting held in y^e first Parish in Boxford on August y^e 7th 1750

1st Chose Tho^s Kimpton Moderator

2ly Voted to chuse a Committee finally to agree with y^e Rev^d Mr John Rogers in behalf of s^d Parish and Settle & make up accounts with him concerning all & every part of his Salary & arrears which he may claim as his due and all other demands whatsoever which he may have on s^d Parish respecting y^e time past present or to come provided s^d Rogers & his Heirs will also agree with s^d Comtee (for Such a Sum of money as they shall think reasonable) to acquit all the right titles & claims in all y^e Lands & buildings in Boxford aforesd which they now have, or are in possession of, or ever can challenge or claim by virtue of any vote or votes of y^e Town of Boxford aforesd

provided also Mr Rogers will agree to relinquish
his pastoral & relation he bears to y^e Church &
people of y^e above s^d Parish, by advice of an
Ecclesiastical Council, and fully discharge s^d
parish from paying ~~him~~ any Salary Support or
maintainence for y^e future for ever
2^ly Chose Nath^ll Symonds, John Peabody Jun^r, Tho^s Redington
Tho^s Andrews & Sam^ll fisk to go to Lexington y^e place
of Mr Rogers's residence, ~~to~~ agree with Mr Rogers in
behalf of s^d Parish as is expressed in y^e above written
Article
4^ly voted that s^d Comt^ee shall have full power & authority
to make a through & final agreement with Mr Rogers
above s^d in behalf of s^d parish, respecting y^e matters
ters above written for such a Sum of money as they
shall think ~~convenient~~ for y^e parish to pay him

At a Legal Parish Meeting held in y^e first Parish
~~Meeting held in~~ in Boxford on Sept 19th 1750
1^st Chose Mr John wood moderator
2^ly Chose Ephraim Kimball Collector for y^e present
year who was also Sworn
3^ly voted to raise twenty Six pounds thirteen Shillings
& four pence Lawfull money to defray parish
charges
4^ly Chose Capt Jer Perley to Supply y^e pulpit with
preaching three months
5^ly Chose Mr John Wood to attend at y^e Court of
General Sessions of y^e peace to be held at Newbury
y^e last tuesday of Sept current to make answer
to Mr John Rogers's Complaint against s^d Parish
6^ly It was put to vote to See if y^e Parish would pay
to Mr John Rogers y^e Sum of two Hundred & Seventy
pounds Lawfull money to relinquish all his Right
in y^e town of Boxford, & for ever cease from all de-
mands of Salary from s^d parish, y^e said Sum to be
paid on or before y^e fifteenth day of Novem next
'Tis to be understood that y^e great Rate laid by
y^e honourable Court of General Sessions is exempted
& no part of s^d Sum) And it past in y^e negative
7^ly voted to perfer a petition to y^e ~~Court~~ Great and
General Court for Relief in our present difficulty
with Mr Rogers

6ly Chose Mr Jonathan Foiler & Thos Rearington to be managers in ye above s affair

Att a Legal Parish meeting held in ye first Parish in Boxford Decr 13th 1750

1ly Chose Mr John wood moderator

2ly Chose Mr John Wood to make answer to Mr Rogers's petition at ye Court of General Sessions of ye peace to held at Salem on ye last tuesday of December Currant

3ly Chose Jonathan Wood to Supply ye pulpit with a preacher for three months after the two next Sabaths

4ly voted to allow Mr Joseph Symonds 16 pounds old tenor which Sum he paid to Mr Oliver Peabody for preaching two Sabaths £ s d

5ly voted to allow Samuel Dorman 1-12-0 Lawfull money for puttling up gutters to ye meeting house

6ly voted to allow Thos Redington John Peabody Jr and Thos Andrews five pounds old tenor to each of them for going to Leminster to treat with Mr Rogers concerning an agreement

7ly allowed Jonathan Byxby thirty Shillings old tenor for boarding Mr Verney one week

8ly allowed Mr John wood 5-0-0 old tenor for attending at Newbury Court to answer Mr Rogers's petition

Att a Legal Parish Meeting held in Boxford first on the January the 28th 1750

1. Chose Mr Jos Wood moderator

2. Voted that Jos Wood Jonathan Foiler & William Foster Prepare a Memorial to Present to ye next General Court Now Sitting at Salem Signifying a Petition Preferred by Mr Jno Wood to ye General Court in Behalf of ye First Parish in Boxford

4th It was Put Whether ye Parish will pay or make good to Mr John Rogers the Sallary which was Granted to him by the Inhabitants of Boxford at his first Settling among them it being Exactly Found out that Silver was Eight Shillings per Ounce (viz.) from the End of ye year Anno 1731 to ye End of ye year 1745 Inclusively it being the Whole Terme the Honourable Court of Sessions of ye County of Essex ordered the said Parish For: Provided the sums of 600 Odd and Eighty Four old tenor be First Deducted out of the Honourable Court of Sessions Order & Decree also: that the the Assignment made by ye Court of Sessions be Set. Side — and it past in ye affirmative

4th it was put whether the Parish will pay or make good to Mr John Rogers the nominal Sum of Eighty Pound at ye Rate Silver Went at when the Twenty Pounds was voted to make his annual Salary (as by Recorded Eighty Pound) Provided the State & General Court Grant the Twenty Pound was an addition to Mr Rogers Salary (viz.) for the space of Ten years agreable to ye Vote recorded in ye Book of ye Town Records Provided that ye Sums of Six Hundred Pounds old tenor and the Sum of Eighty four Pounds old tenor be Deducted from ye said sum ye Court of General Sessions have Done Provided also that the Assignment made by the Honourable Court of Sessions be Set aside and it passed in the affirmative

At a Legal Parish Meeting held in ye first Parish in Boxford on March 7th 1750/51

1st Chose Thomas Redington Moderator

2ly Chose Thomas Redington Parish Clerk for ye year ensuing

3ly Chose Gideon Byxby. Thomas Andrews & Asa Pearley Parish Committee to call parish meetings &c

4ly voted that ye above sd Committee men shall serve as Assessors ye year ensuing

5ly Chose Jonathan Byxby & Joseph Stickney Collectors for year ensuing

6ly Chose Thomas Perley parish Treasurer for ye year ensuing

7ly Chose Samll Dorman to Sweep & take care of the Meeting house ye year ensuing

8ly Chose Mr. Andrews to provide for ye Council that are to consider of ye Controvereys between Mr Rogers and ye parish on ye parishes cost

9ly voted to allow Mr John wood ye value of Six pounds old tenor for his attending at Salem Court in Mr. Rogers's case

10ly voted that the money that is in ye hands of Ensign Joseph Hale ~~Shall~~ a former Treasurer shall be ordered out by, and at ye discretion of ye parish Assessors for ye time being

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At a Legal Parish Meetng held in ye first parish in Boxford on thursday May 21st 1751

1st Chose Thomas Redington Moderator for sd Meetng

2ly voted to give ye Revd Mr John Rogers of Leominster our pastor the Sum of three Hundred & thirty three pounds Six Shillings and eight pence Lawfull money exclusive of ye Sum contained in Mr Benjamin portes list of Rates which is to be paid to sd Rogers one half of what is over and above ye Sum contain'd in sd Rates to be paid to said Rogers in one year next after ye date hereof which will be may 21st 1752 and ye other half to be paid may 21st 1753. On condition Mr Rogers & his Children, or any others (that by virtue of any votes ye Town of Boxford or parish aforesd have past) have any right claim or challenge to ye House Mr Rogers formerly lived in in ye above sd parish, and ye ten acres of Land on and near which

which sd House Stands and also in ye Tract of Land called ye parsonage farm ~~with all ye appurtainences previledges & Commoditys to ye Same belonging to ye first parish in Boxford aforesd~~ do deliver up posession of ye Same, and give good & authentick Quit Claims of all their right, title, claims and demands they have to ye above sd House and Lands with all ye appurtainences previledges and Commoditys to ye Same belonging to ye first parish in Boxford afore sd And also on condition Mr Rogers acquit his Salary or any other Support and maintainence, or any other dues or demands from sd parish for ye future for ever

3ly Voted that in case Mr Rogers will not accept of ye Sum voted in ye above sd Article on ye conditions therein expresd then to give sd Rogers thirteen pounds Six Shillings & 8 pence Lawfull money for what he may claim or demand from sd parish for ye time past, and also twenty Six pounds thirteen Shillings & four pence Lawfull money yearly for ye future, so long as he Shall live on condition he, and all others from by & under him deliver up posession of ye parsonage to sd parish & he & they acquit their right in ye Same as is expresed in ye above Article, and also that Mr Rogers acquit his to any Salary or other maintainence, or any other pretence or demand whatsoever to sd parish

4ly Voted that in case Mr Rogers will not accept of either of ye propofals abovewritten on ye conditions thereto annexd then to leave ye whole matter that is to Say, what Sum of money the parish Shall give to Mr Rogers on condition he, & thofe that are Interested in ye above written premifes deliver up posefion of ye Same & acquit their right therein in manner as above sd to ye above sd parish, to be decided and determined by Judicious persons chofen as ye parties Shall agree upon

5ly Chofe Mr Thos perley Mr John Wood & Thos Redington a Comtee to choofe a man or men on our part to Arbitrate decide & determine ye above sd matter respecting ye premifes

6ly Chofe Mr Jas Cummings to acquaint Mr Rogers with ye votes that have been past at this meeting respecting his affairs, & to know of him if it may be which of the articles he will comply with or whether either of them, and make Seasonable report to ye parish

7ly voted to hire preaching
8ly Chose Mr Francis Perley to hire an orthordox preacher to Supply our pulpit three months

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Att a Legal meeting held in ye first parish in Boxford on June 14th 1751
1st Chose Tho: Redington Moderator
2ly voted to raise fifty pounds Lawfull money to defray parish Charges
3ly voted to allow Capt Joseph Trie twenty Shillings for writing petitions &c to ye General Court respecting Mr Rogers's case
4ly voted to allow John Dorman two pound two Shillings & 8 pence for boarding Mr Noice eight weeks
5ly voted to allow Mr John wood thirty two Shillings for attending at Ipswich Court on March last in Mr Rogers's case. And also for notifying ye Counsel
6ly voted to allow Thomas Redington five Shillings & four pence for notifying ye Counsel
7ly voted to allow Jonathan Bixbe 2/8 for doing a message at Littleton & Leominster
8ly voted to allow Thomas Andrews ten pounds for entertaining ye Counsel
9ly voted to allow Jacob Cumings five Shillings & four pence for carrying our votes containing our proposals of agreement to Mr Rogers
10ly Chose Mr John wood to answer Mr Roger's Complaint at Salem Court on July next either by himself or Attorney as he shall think best

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Att a Legal parish meeting held in ye first parish in Boxford on July ye first 1751
1st Chose Thomas Redington Moderator for sd meeting
2ly It was put to vote to See if ye parish would give ye Revd Mr John Rogers of Leominster our former pastor ye Sum of 2360 £ old tenor, exclusive of ye Sum contain'd in Mr Porters list agreeable to Mr Rogers's last proposal to sd parish & it past in ye negative

3ly It was put to vote to See if ye ~~propos~~ Arbo parish would consent to Mr Rogers's desire in having ye proposed Aribitration to decide ye Controvercys betwee sd Rogers & this parish to be held at Leominster And it past in ye negative

4ly voted that ye above sd Aribitration Shall be held in Boxford in this parish on ye first tuesday of Sept next And that ye parish will be at ye cost of ye entertainment of sd Arbitrators and an Atturney that Mr Rogers Shall Send to manage affairs in his behalf

5ly voted that Capt Joseph Frie of Andover Shall be one of ye Aribitrators in ye above sd affair Also nominated three other Gentlemen viz Colonel Gerrish Esqr of Newbury John Hopson Esqr of Rowley & Thomas Lambard Esqr of Rowley and voted that either of them which soever Mr Rogers Shall chuse out of ye above sd 3 Shall also be one of the Arbitrators. Also voted that sd Arbitration shall consist of three Gentlemen

6ly Chose Mr Francis Perley Asa Perley John Hale John Stiles Ebenr Curtis Thomas Andrews and James Andrews to give bond in ye parishes behalf to Stand to ye Award & final determination of sd Arbitrators together with one that Mr Rogers Shall Appoint provided they confider & determin ye whole affair between sd Rogers & sd parish agreeable to ye votes of sd parish ~~on~~ ye 21st of May last

7ly Chose Mr John Wood Capt Stephen Peabody & Thomas Redington a Comtee to enform and lay before ye above sd Arbitrators what they Shall think proper in ye parishes behalf, relating to ye differences & Controvercys between Mr Rogers & sd parish

8ly Chose Mr Thos Andrews to go to Leominster and carry ye votes that have been past at this meeting and know of Mr Rogers if pofsible what he will do respecting ye premises, and make Speedy return to ye parish

9ly voted to ajourn ye meeting to ye 9th of July Instant at four a clock afternoon in hopes then of hearing of Mr Rogers's concurance with our proposals in order to an accomidation and being at length extricated out of our long perplext & distressed circumstances

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On y^e ninth of July 1751 y^e parish meet according to ajournment from y^e 1^st of July Instant and Mr Andrews being present reported according to order, and enformed y^e parish that he had been to Leominster and deliver'd Mr Rogers y^e Coppie of our votes on y^e first of July and withall brought y^e malluncully news that Mr Rogers was not at that time disposed to treat of an accommodation, and being desired to give a perticuler account of their conferrence, said that after Mr Rogers had read our votes he desired, and insisted on an answer using what argument he thought propper for that end Mr Rogers remaining silent for some time at length he askt him if he had done Speaking, he answered he had for y^e present then he told him to say no more. and he could by no means git him to Signifie his mind one way or other respecting y^e premises, or any part of them

Then it was put to vote to See if y^e parish would abate y^e Rates of Several persons in Collector Andrews & Collector Curtis's lists and it past in y^e negative

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At a Legal Parish meeting in y^e first parish in Boxford August 8th 1751

1st Chose James Curtis moderator
2ly Chose Thomas Andrews parish Clerk for y^e day
3ly voted to hire a preacher
4ly Chose James Curtis to hire a preacher to Supply our pulpit two months
5ly voted to have a Suitable Sum of money drawn out of y^e parish Treasury to fee a Lawyer to plead our cause at Newbury Court on Sept next against Mr Rogers
6ly voted have y^e Counsel Sent to again to give their further advice respecting our differences & difficulty with Mr Rogers
7ly voted that Thomas Andrews Shall provide for & entertain y^e Counsel when they shall Sit again

Att a Legal parish meeting held in ye first parish in Boxford on Sept 27th 1751

1st Chose Thos Redington moderator
2ly voted to hire Mr Bass to preach longer among us
3ly Chose mr James Curtis to agree with Mr Bass to preach one month
4ly voted to abate ye Rates of Amos Gould & Jacob Andrews in James Curtis Jur his list
5ly voted to allow Thos Andrews fifty Shillings old tenor more then he hath already been allowed for his intertaining ye Councel last Spring
6ly voted to allow Thos Andrews tweenty pounds old tenor for his etertaining ye Councel ye last time
7ly voted to allow Thos Andrews 14 Shillings Lawfull money for going to Shrews bury and other expences

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Att a Legal parish meetmg held in ye first parish in Boxford Octo 24th 1751

1st Chose Mr Joseph Symonds moderator
2ly voted to hire Mr Bass or some other Orthodox to preach ye Gospel to us
3ly Chose mr James Curtis to agree with sd preacher four months

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Att a Legal Parish meeting held in ye first parish in Boxford on wednesday ye 20th of Nov 1751

1st Chose Mr James Curtis moderator for sd day
2ly Chose Thos Andrews parish Clerk for ye day
3ly Voats put to vote to See if would Settle a minister as soon as can be with convenieny & it past in the affirmative
4ly it was put to vote to See if ye parish would proceed in due time to invite mr Bass to be their minister and it past in ye negative
5ly it was put to vote to See if ye parish would invite any other Gentleman whom ye parish Shall agree too to preach upon probation in order to Settlement and it part in ye affirmative
6 put to vote to allow Bills of change

At a Legal Parish Meeting held in y^e first parish in Boxford on Dec^r 31 1751

1st the parish chose Thomas Redington Moderator

2dly voted to invite Mr. Fairweather to preach to us four Sabaths longer upon probation

3dly Chose William Foster to agree with Mr. Fairweather for y^e above s^d four Sabaths

4thly Chose Mr John Wood to answer Mr Rogers's complaint at Salem Court now Sitting

5thly Chose Thomas Perley. William Foster and John Peabody Jun^r a Com^tee to buy y^e House & ten acres of Land where Mr. Rogers formerly lived of Benjamen Rogers, in case he will give a good title of s^d Land and also deliver up possession of y^e parsonage farm so called to y^e s^d parish

6thly voted to allow Mr John Wood four pounds one Shilling for Money he paid & charges he has been at in defending y^e parish against Mr Rogers's Complaint, and also 2/8 which he paid Capt Frye

7thly voted to allow Capt Jer. Perley 2-16 0 for so much he paid Mr Noice, & 2/8 he paid Capt Frye & 4/0 for boarding Mr Verney one week

8thly Voted to allow Capt Stephen Peabody 2/8 which he paid Capt Frye

At a Legal Parish meeting held in y^e first parish in Boxford Jan^r 16th 1752

1st Chose Thomas Redington Moderator

2dly voted to use all prudent meens to git y^e Judgment of y^e Court of General Sessions held at Salem in Dec^r last reversed which Judgment respects Mr John Rogers of Leominster his Salary

3dly Chose Thomas Perley William Foster & Thomas Redington a Com^tee to bring a writ of Sesarara against y^e Honorable Justices of y^e General Sessions of y^e peace in order to git y^e Judgment of s^d Court respecting Mr Rogers's Salary revers'd or

or to use any other means as y^e above s^d Committee shall think proper in order to obtain some relief under our perplext difficulty relating to M^r Rogers also voted that either or any of y^e above s^d Committee shall have power to act in y^e above s^d affair when they are not all three together

5^ly voted to raise fifty pounds to defray parish charges

Att a Legal Parish Meeting held in the first parish in Boxford on January 31^st 1752

1^ly Chose Thomas Kenington Moderator

2^ly it was put to vote to see if y^e Parish would give give M^r Sam^ll Fairweather a call to settle a gospel Ministor among us & it past in the Negative

3^ly Chose Francis Perley John Peabody Jun^r & Thomas Kenington to enform M^r Fairweather the reason why y^e Parish did not give him a call

Att a Legal parish meeting held in the first parish in Boxford on Feb 10^th 1752

1^ly Chose M^r Joseph Symonds Moderator

2^ly Voted to invite M^r Sam^ll Fairweather to preach to us three Sabaths more upon probation

3^ly Chose William Foster to agree with M^r Fairweather to preach y^e above s^d Three Sabaths

S. W.

Att a Legal Parish meeting held in y^e first Parish in Boxford on March y^e 4^th 1752

1^ly Chose Cap^t Stephen Peabody Moderator

2^ly Chose Tho^s Andrews Asa Perley and John Peabody Jun^r Committe men & Assessors for s^d parish y^e year Ensuing

3^ly Chose Solomon Wood Parish Clerk they all Sworn

1^ly Chose Jacob Cumings Collector for y^e South Side of y^e Parish. & Sworn

5^ly Chose Nathanel Burnam Collector for y^e North side of s^d parish he also Sworn

6^ly Chose Tho^s Perley Parish Treasurey

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4 Thomas Perley William Foster and Thomas Pedington Impowe
of Committe that was Chosen to Git the Court Judgment
Reversed yt was Entred up a gainst us Last Decem. Court at
Salem. To use their best of their Endeavours to Git yt
former Court Judgement Reversed that was Entred up
Against us By the Sesions in yt year 1748.
5 And it past in ye afirmative

6 Att a Legal Parish Meeting held on the first parish in
Boxford on March ye 27 1752
1) Chose Mr Joseph Hale Moderator for Sd meeting
2) It was put to Vote to See if ye Parish would Chuse a Committ
to Lease out ye Land that the Parish bought of the Proprietors
before Benjamin Rogers Dore or house And it past in
the afirmative
3) Chose Thos Andrews John Peabody Junr & Asa Perley a
Committe to Lease out the Land a bove Sd the Ensuing
year for ye parish
4) It was put to Vote to See if the Parish would allow Mr
William Foster Eight Shiling Lawfull money for warning
Parish meetings the Last year & it past in the Negative
5) Chose Lieut Jeremiah Foster Parish Treasurer for ye
year Ensuing & he was Sworn
6) It was put to Vote to See if the Parish would Rey the
Parsnage farm of John Peabody Junr Asa Perley
Solomon Dodge And Thos Andrews at a Certain Sume of
Money for it Namely £16=0:0 And it Past in ye a
firmative

7) Chose Aaron Kimball Frances Perley And Seames
Andrews a Committe in Behalf of the Parish
to take a Title of the a bove Sd men that have bought
yt And Be Bound to them for ye payment of ye money

7 Att a Leagall Parish meeting held in ye first Parish
in Boxford on May ye 12 1752
1) Chose Mr Joseph Symonds moderator for Sd meeting
2) It was put to Vote to See if ye Parish would Invite
Some auther Dext Scholer or Preacher to preach
the Gospel to them And it past in ye a firmative

3) 3 Chose m^r John Dorman to Provide a Preacher
And a Suitable place for him to keeps at ——
4) Voted to hire Preaching three Months from
the Date of this meeting { y^e warrent y^e mod^r keept

At a 4 Legal Parish meeting held at y^e firs^t Parish
Boxford on June y^e 22 d 1752
1) 1 Chose m^r Tho^s Perley moderator for S^d meeting
2) It was put to Vote to See if y^e Parish Would
Chuse a man or men to Supply y^e Pulpit with an
Authordox^l Preacher to preach y^e Gospel among us
for So Long a time as y^e Parish Voted y^e Last Parish
Meeting And also Provide a Place for him to Keep
at w^ch m^r Dorman Refuseing to Provid a Preacher —
and it past in y^e afirmative
3) Chose m^r Ebenezer Cirtice Jer. Frances Perley & m^r
Tho^s Andrews a Committe for y^e above S^d Purpose —
4) Voted to allow m^r Jn^o Symonds two Pounds 8 /
for Entertaing m^r Bass & keeping his hors 12 weaks
5) Voted to allow m^r Samuel Dorman Eighteen Shilings
& Eight pence for keeping y^e Key & Sweping y^e
meeting House y^e two Last year ——
6) Voted to allow m^r Jhon Wood Eleven Shilings & 1 d
for attending Salem Court to answer to m^r Rogers

5 Att a 5 Legal Parish meeting held in y^e first Parish in
Boxford on y^e 17 th of August 1752 ——
first 1 Chose Rev^d Jer^m Foster moderator for S^d meeting ——
2) it was put to Vote to See if the parish would Hire
preaching one time Longer & it past in y^e a firmative
3) the parish Voted to hire preaching three months
Next Ensuing ——
4) Chose m^r Frances Perley Ebenez Cirtice And Tho^s Andrews
a Committe to hire a preacher and Provide a place
for him to Keep at for S^d term ——
5) It was put to Vote to See if the parish Would abate
Samuel Tapley Rates in Joseph Slitknees List ——
And it past in the a firmative ——

6th It was put to Vote to See if the parish Would abate Richard Peabody Rate in Joseph Stickneys List and it past in the Negetive

7) It was put to Vote to See if the Parish Would Chuse Some man to measure the Land that the parish purchased of ye Proprietors and it past in the firmative

8) Chose Lev.tn Jer.h Foster to See it measured

9) Allowed Thos Andrews ten Shilings & Eight pence Lawfull money for Keeping mr Roberds part of 6 weeks

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atta Legal Parish meetin held in the First Parish in Boxford on ye 15th of Dec.r A.D. 1752

firstly Chose Thos Perley Moderator for Sd meeting

2) Voted to Rase forty Pounds Lawfull money to Defray ye Risen and Rising Charges of ye Sd Parish for the Present year

3) Voted to hire Preaching for three months Next Ensuing

4) Chose mr William Foster Thos Andrews & Joseph Stickney a Committe to Provide an orthrodoxt Gentleman to Preach ye Gospel a mong us for three Months Also Provid a Place for him to Keep at

5) Voted to Repair the meeting House

6) allowed Lev.t Jer.h Foster 7/ & 4d for his Cost & trouble in Giting ye Parishes Land mesured by Benj.n Rogers

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Atta Leagall Parish meeting held on ye first Parish In Boxford on Janry ye 8th 1753

1sly Chose Jnos Joseph Hale moderator for Sd meeting

2) Chose mr John Hale Frances Perley & Lt Jer.h Foster a Committe to Repair ye meeting House (viz) to to mend ye Pew in ye west Gallerie and Clapt ye joinsors & Dores And Point ye Cashin ye Roof & mend ye Spouts & Glass

3) Voted to Lease y^e Parsonage farm that was Purchased by a Vote of y^e Parish at a Leagal meeting on March 27 1752 of John Peabody Jn^o Esq^r Derley Solomon Dodge And Tho^s Andrews for one year Next Ensueing

4) Chose m^r Francis Derley And Paul Prichard & John Peabody Jn^o a Committe to Lease y^e Parsonage farm for one year In behalf of y^e Parish

5) it was Put to Vote to See if the Parish would Rais a Sum of money to Defray y^e a Rising Charges And it Past In the Negetive

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Att a Legal parrish meeting held in y^e first parrish in Boston on March y^e 15: 1753

1^ly Chose Tho^s pearley moderater for Sd meeting

2^ly Chose m^r Francis pearley y^e first Committe man and assessor for y^e year Ensueing and Sworn

3^ly Chose m^r Ebenezer Curtis 2 Committe man & assesor for y^e year Ensueing and Sworn

4^ly Chose Aaron Kimball y^e 3 Committe men & assesor for y^e year Ensueing and Sworn to y^e office.

5^ly Chose Aaron Kimball parrish Cler for y^e year Ensueing ensueing and Sworn

6^ly Chose John peabody Jun^r Colector for y^e South Sid of Sd parrish for y^e year Ensueing

7^ly Chose Tho^s pearley Colector for y^e north Pt of Sd parrish for y^e year Ensueing and Sworn

8^ly Chose Lieu^t Jeremiah Foster Tresurar for Sd parrish y^e year Ensueing

9^ly Chose John peabody Jr & Cap^t Jeremiah pearley and Cap^t nathaniel perkins a Committe To See that y^e proprietors Make up to y^e parish y^e mesuer of Land that they Sold to Sd parrish it falling Short of y^e Measuer

10^ly Voted To have preaching for Sum time longer

11^ly Voted to hire preaching 3 months Next Ensueing

12^ly Chose Joseph Stichnet: Solomon Wood: & Nathan Andrews a Committe to [illegible] hire

31 An orthordox man To preach the Gospel for three months and allso provide a place for him to Keepe at

13) It was put to vote to see if ye parrish Would abat Jonathan Townes Rate & it past in ye Negetive

14) It Was put to vote to See if ye parrish Would abate Andrew Bradstreet Rate & it past in ye affairmitive

15) Chose mr John peabody Jr mr William Foster and paul prichard a Comtte to Rechen With mr John Wood John Symonds & francis pearly they being a Comtte Chosen to finish ye meeting hous

16) olowed Cap Jeremiah pearly 16/ old tenor for giting two Deeds Recorded

17) voted to glow francis pearly Thd Andrews Ebenezr Curtis Sixteen pounds old tenor for two Days preach they payd mr Roberds

18 voted to alow Ebenezr Curtis two pounds ten shillings old tenor for goeing twise to Stone ham and to line once

19 voted to alow Thd Andrews thirteen pounds old tenor for his Journis after preachers and Bordeing them

At a legual Parish meeting held in ye first parish in Boxford on July ye 3: 1753

1ly Chose William Foster Moderater for sd meeting

2ly voted to hire an orthordox preacher three months from ye Date of this meeting

3ly voted francis pearly Samuel Fisk and Nathan Wood a Committe to hire an orthordox preacher three months and to provide a Sutable hous for him to Keepe at

4ly voted To Rais forty pounds Lawfull money to Defray the arisen and a Riseing Charges in sd parrish

5ly Chose John Stiles a Colector for ye South side of sd parrish for ye present year

6ly Chose francis pearly Treasurar for sd parrish for the present year and Sworn to ye Offic

Att a legual Parrish meeting held in ye first parish in Boxford on September ye 21 AD 1753

(1) Chose Mr William Foster Moderater for ye meeting

2 Voted to hire preaching

3 Voted To hire preaching Six months after ye 23 Day of September Instant

4 Voted Mr Nathll Symonds & Mr Francis pearly and Leevt Jeremiah Foster a Committe To hire an to preach ye gospel among us
er thord or preacher for ye above mentioned Space of time and allso to provide a place for him to Keepe at

5 Chose Thos Andrews Colector for ye South Side of ye parrish for ye present year and Sworn to ye office

6 put to vote to Chuse a man to goe to Court in behalf of ye parish in ye Room of Deecon Thos Redington and it past in ye Negetive

7 Voted To alow Mr Joseph Slicknee fifty Shillings aweeke old tenor for Bording Mr Robards and Keeping his hors that is Six Weeks

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att a legual Parish meeting held in ye first parish in Boxford on march ye 19: 1754

(1) Chose Thd pearly Moderator for ye meeting

2 Chose En Joseph Hale Committee man for ye year insueing

(3) Chose Samuell Fisk Committee man for ye year Ensueing

(4) Chose Ebenezer Curtis Committee man for ye year Ensueing

(5) Cosen Three Committee men Assesors for ye year Ensueing and all Sworn to the faithfull Discherge of their office

(6) Chose Aaron Kimball parrish Cler for ye year Ensueing and Sworn.

(7) Chose John preabod Jr Collector for ye South Side of the parrish for the year Ensueing

(8) Chose Daniel Black Collector for the North Side of the parrish for the year Ensueing and Sworn to ye office

(9) Chose Francis pearly Treasurar for ye parrish for the year Ensueing and Sworn to ye office

(10) put to Vote to Chuse a Committee to Agree With Mr Rogers and it past in the Negative

(11) Voted to Lease out the Land Called the parsonage Farm for nine hundred & ninty nine years

(12) Chose Thomas Andrews Ebenezer Curtis John Hale John preabody Jr Asa pearly a Committee To Lease out the Sd Farm For ye above written Space of time

(13) Voted To hire preaching & pasting a farmil
(14) Voted To hire preaching three months
(15) Chose Mr Nath[l] Symonds and William Foster a Committee to hire an orthordox preecher for that tarme of time
(16) Voted To Chuse a man to prefer apetition to the General Court to Confeirm y Warrants and Rates that our Collector had to Gathar in y year 1753 the Rates being Wrongly Bate
(17) Chose Mr Jonathan Foster To prefare a petition to y genral Court in behalf of y parrish
(18) Voted To alow William Foster one pound Lawfull money fo Entertaining of ministers on a private fast three or four years agoe
(19) Voted To alow William Foster Six Shillings a week For Bordeing Mr Samuel Fayrweather and Keeping his hors Eleven Weeke and four Days
(20) Voted To alow Nathan Wood five Shillings and four prence a weeke for three weeks and four Days for Bourding Mr upham
(21) Voted to abate Nathan perkins Rate of one pounds old Tenor In Jonathan Byxby List
(22) Voted to alow Thomas Andrews one pound old tenor fo bordeing Mr putnam four Days & his horse and for Bording Mr upham ten Days and Keeping his horse Two pounds ten Shilling old tenor
(23) Voted to aiourn this meeting from the nintenth Day of march instant To y Second tusday of may next at three of the Cocking y after Noon

Essex ss Ipswich Febr[y] 25: 1754.
Then John peabody [jr] personaly apeard and made oath to y faithfull Discharge of the office of a Colector in accordg to Dapplication

At a Legal parrish meeting held in Boxford (First parrish)
1st April y 15: A[d] 1754
(1) Chose Ens Joseph hale moderator for sd meeting
(2) Voted to Adiourn this meeting to tusday y 23 Day of April Instant
on a Journment of a parrish meeting in the first parrish in Boxford from y 15 Day of April 1754 To the 23 Day of April 1754

[1st] put to vote To See if ye parrish would Chuse Trustees and it past in ye affermative

[2d] Chose Nathaniel Symonds Abnar Hale and Joseph Slicknes Trustees To take Care of ye money or Bonds and Security Which Shall be given by ye person or persons Who Shall hire the personage farm for the use of the parrish to Suport the Gospel amongst us

[3d] put to vote to Renue or Change the Trustees once in three years and it past in the affarmative

[4th] voted that the Trustees Should Return the money in to the parrish Treasurey yearly & intrest

[5th] voted that the parrish Committee Should Lease out the Land Before Benjamin Rogers House For this presant year

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This may Certifie that We the Subscribers have Rec. Securety of Francis Perly Nathan Wood Solomon Dodge Dan Paul Richard and Solomon Wood for the Sum of four hundred and fifty Six pounds Six Shillings & Eight pence Lawfull money to be paid within one full year from ye 5th Day of may Ano Domi 1754 With Lawfull Intrist for the Same Which Sum Was ye Consideration of a lease Given to Solemon Dodge and partners of the parsonage farm So Called by Ebenezer Curtice Tho. Andrews John Hale and Asa perley a Committee of the first parrish in Boxford for that purpes (viz) to Lease out ye parsonage Farm for ye term of 999 years in ye parishes Behalf

We Say Rec. by us ——— Witness

Boxford May ye 13 1754 — Joseph Slicknes, Abnar Hale — Trustees for ye parrish

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At adjournment of a parrish Meeting in ye first parrish in Boxford from March ye 19th 1754 To tuesday ye 14th of may 1754

[1st] voted Lieut Foster and Francis Perly Committee men to hire an orthodox preacher

[2d] Voted to alow John Dormon one pound Lawfull money for Bourding our preachers at Sundry times

[3d] voted to alow Nathan Andrews twelve Shillings Lawfull money for Journeys after preachers and money Spent

[4th] voted to alow Ebenezer Curtis John Hale, Asa perley Tho Andrews one pound Six Shillings & Eight pence Lawfull money for their Serves in Leasing out ye parsonage farm

[5th] voted to alow James Andrews four Shillings Lawfull money for Intron

[6th] voted to alow Lieut Foster one Shiling and three pence Lawfull money

at a legal parrish meeting held in Boxford first parrish on June ye 13: 1754.

1ly Chose mr John Wood moderator for ye meeting
2ly put to vote to hire preaching and it past in ye affirmitaive
3ly voted to hire preaching three months after ye time is out already voted
4ly voted three men a Committee to hire an orthodox preacher
5ly voted Francis parly James Curtis and Jonathan Wood a Committee to hire a preacher also to provide him Entertainment
6ly put to vote a Suitable Sum of money to Defray ye arising and arisen Charges in ye parrish and it past in ye Negative
7ly put to vote to abate ye Reals Laid on ye head of Samuell Woodbury and it pas in ye negative
8ly put to vote to see if the parrish will Chuse a man to prefere apetition to ye General Court to impower Tho Andrews a Collector to gather the Lest of Rates Commited to him to Gather he being ~~Chosen notice Recieved~~ not Chosen in the month of March and it past in the Negative.
9ly put to vote to see if the parrish will abate the Rates of Jonathan peabody that is what he was Rated for Real Estat in Jacob Cummings List and it past in ye negative

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at a legal parrish meeting held in Boxford first parrish on mondy ye 24 Day of June: 1754

1ly Chose mr John Wood moderator for ye meeting
2ly voted to Raise a Suitable Sum of money to Suport the gospal amongus and other nessecary Charges
3ly they voted to Rais forty pounds Lawfull money for ye above purpose
4ly they voted that ye money for the Rent of the parsonage farm in the years: 1752: and 53: Shall be paid in to the parrish Tresurery for the use of ye parrish.
5ly they voted to Chuse a man or men to move it to the Church to invite an acceptable orthodox preacher to preach upon probation in order for Selelment
6ly they voted Jonathan Wood Asa pearly & Ebenezer Curtis to move to the Church what is writen in ye above 5th article
7ly They voted to aquis With the Church in Dismising Mr John Rogers from Being their pastor

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at a legal parish meeting held in boxford first parrish on thirsday ye Eighth Day of Agust: 1754.

1ly Chos Ens Joseph hale Moderator for ye meeting

1ly Voted to Joyn With ye Church in hireing mr Starns two Saboths more to preach on probation af. ye five Saboths

2ly Voted to set apart a Day of fasting and prayer to take advice of our neighbouring ministers & who they shall advise to setle with us in ye ministry

3ly Voted ye thirsday ye 22 Day of Auguist instant to be Kept as a Day of fasting for ye above purpose

4ly Voted mr Clerk Mr Wigelsworth mr phillips mr Emerson mr Rand mr Cushing To assist in Carrying on ye work of ye Day

5ly Voted to abat Jonathan peabody Rate Jn. Jacob Cummings Est. that is what he was Raled for Real Estate

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at a legal parrish Meeting held in Boxford ye parrish on September ye 18. 1754

1ly Chose En Joseph hale moderator for ye Meeting

2ly Voted to have preaching three months

3ly Voted Jonathan Wood & Joseph Hickens and Capt francis pearly a Committee to hire on or more preacher for ye above Writen Space of time and allso to provide a place for him to Keepe at

4ly Voted to adjourn ye above Writen meeting to fryday ye 20 Day of September Instant at four of ye Clock in ye afternoon

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at a legal parrish meeting held in Boxford First parrish on fryday ye 11th Day of ~~September~~ October: 1754

1ly Chose Thō: pearly moderator for ye meeting

2ly put to vote to prefer a petition to ye Greate and general Court in ye behalf of ye parrish to impower Thō: Andrews to gather ye List of Rates that was Commited to him to gather January 21 1754 he not being Chosen in the month of march and it past in the affermitive

3ly Voted mr Jonathan Foster to prefer ye petition

4ly Voted To alow mr Thomas pearly Six pounds two Shillings and two pence to pull Money for his time and Expence in Defending ye parrish against ye Rates from June ye 14: 1752 to June: 1753

5ly Voted to alow mr William Foster Eight pounds twelve Shillings and ten pence to pull money for his time and Expence in Defending ye parrish against mr Rogers from December: 1751 to June: 1753

At a legal Parrish Meeting held in Boxford first parrish on y^e 2 Day of December 1754

1st Chose En Joseph Hale Mordrator for Sd Meeting
2d Voted to Concur With the Church Vote in Inviting Mr Josiah Starns To be their Settled minister ouer them.
3d Voted to Chuse a Committee to Inform Mr Starns of the parrish Concurring With the Church to giue him a Call to be their Minister and See if Mr Starns Would Be pleased to Except their of upon honorable termes
4th Chose Mr John Wood Cap Francis Parly En Ebenezer Curtis: & Ebenezer William and Aaron Kimball. a Committee For y^e aboue Sd purpos

At a legal parrish Meeting held in Boxford First parrish on Wensday y^e 18 Day of December 1754.

1st Chose En: Joseph Hale Mordrator for Sd Meeting
2d Voted to hire Mr Josiah Starns ~~Starns~~ To preach the Gospel among us for aquarter of a year
3d Voted to Chuse a Committee to inuite Mr Starns to preach to y^e Sd first parrish in Boxford and allso to provide a place for him to Keepe at
4th Voted Samuell Fisk James Curtis Jur & Thomas Andrews a Committee for y^e aboue Sd purpos
5th put to vote to abate Thomas Butman head in Nath^ll Burnams List and it past in y^e Negetiue
6th voted to alow Thomas Andrews Eight pounds old tenor for Enterlaining y^e Ministers at y^e fast and for Bourding Mr Starns Eighteen Days

At a legal parrish meeting held in Boxford first parish on monday y^e 30 Day of December 1754

1st Chose En Joseph hale mordrator for Sd meeting
2d Voted To hire preaching three months
3d Chose Left Jeremiah ~~Foster~~ Lest Esq parly & Mr Thomas Andrews a Committee to hire an orther preacher and allso to provide a place for him to Keep at
4th Voted to abate Thomas Butmans Rate in Burnams List

At a legal parrish Meeting held in Boxford first parrish on monday y^e 24 Day of febr^ary 1755

1st Chose Thomas Parly Mer Mordrator for Sd meeting
2d Voted to Concur With y^e Church Vote in Inviting Mr Aaron Putnam to Settle With us to be our pastor and teacher

3[d] and Voted to adiourn a parrish meeting from Monday
The 24 Day of febrary 1755 To Monday ye 3 Day of March 1755
On the adjournment of the parrish Meeting the 3 Day
of March 1755
1[ly] Voted to Give Mr Aaron Putnam Sixty five pounds
Lawfull money for a yearly Sallary for so long
a time as he Shall Carry on the Work of ministry
amongus
2[ly] Voted to giue the sd mr putnam Six Score
Pounds Lawfull Money for a Settlement
3[ly] Chose Leut Foster, Leut Asa pearly and Mr Tho[s]
Andrews A Committee to Inform of sd mr putnam
of ye parrishes Votes of ye foregoeing articles and see
if he will Except on ye parrishs tearms and if not to
know of on What terms he will Except and make Return
to ye parrish
4[ly] Put to vote to see if ye parrish Would alow En
Joseph Hale & En Ebenezer Cutler Six Shilling
apiece for their Service for time in Exercise at ipswich
ye present Winter for his Refuseing to take ye Collec-
tor office and ye past in ye negotiue.

at a legal parrish Meeting held in Boxford first
parrish on tusday ye 18 Day of March 1755
1[ly] Chose En Joseph Hale Mordrator for sd meeting
2[ly] Chose En Joseph Hale ye first Committeeman for ye year Ensuing
3[ly] Chose Ebenezer Killiam ye 2 Committee man for ye year Ensueing
4[ly] Chose Aaron Kimball ye 3 Committee man for ye year Ensueing
5[ly] Chose ye three Committee men Assesors for ye year Ensueing
6[ly] Chose ye three Committee men Assesors for ye year Ensueing
and En Hale and Killiam are Sworn to ye faithfull Discharge of
their office
7[ly] Chose Aaron Kimball parrish Clerk for ye year Ensueing and Sworn
8[ly] Chose Leut Jeremiah Foster Colector for ye South side of
ye parrish for ye year Ensueing and Sworn to ye office
9[ly] Chose Cap[t] Nath[l] Perkins Colector for the north side
of sd parrish for ye year Ensueing and Sworn to ye office
10[ly] Chose Cap[t] Francis Pearly Treasurar for ye year Ensueing
and Sworn to the faithfull Discharge of ye office
11[ly] Chose Mr Thomas Andrews to Keep the Key of
the Meeting hous and to take Care of sd hous
Aaron Kimball Sworn one of ye Assesors be-
fore Esqr philips at andover

At a legal parrish Meeting held in Boxford first parish on friday ye 28 Day of March 1755

1ly Chose En Joseph Hale Mordrator for sd meeting

2ly Voted to Chuse a Comittee to hire Mr Aaron putnam two months after ye 30 Day of march Instant

3ly Chose Leut Jeremiah Foster Leut Asa Peirly & Mr Abner hale a Committee to hire ye sd Mr putnam for ye above Writen Space of time

4ly Chose Mr Jonathan Foster in Behalf of the parish to use proper means in Defending sd parish against Mr Rogers petition at the Great and General Court

5ly Voted to alow Samuell Dormon Sixteen Shilling Lawfull money for Keeping ye Key of our Meeting hous and takeing Care of ye sd hous for two years past

At a legal parrish meeting held in ye first parish in Boxford on friday ye 30 Day of may 1755

1ly Chose Leut Jeremiah Foster moderator for sd meeting

2ly Put to vote to see if ye parish will vote that ye Sixty and six pound that all Redy voted for Mr Aaron putnam Salary for Solemn atime as he shall Carry on ye work of ye ministry amongus Be voted & Agreeing his Continuance in ye ministry amongus one as our Circumstances will admit and his necessety Requir to ac accordingly and it past in ye Negetive

3ly Put to vote to see if ye parish will vote a yearly Supply of fire Wood for Mr Aaron putnan Cut and Drawn to ye place of his abod Dureing his Continuance with us in ye ministry and it past in ye Negetive

4ly Put to vote to see if ye parish will vote Retaining those Six Score pro To procure and Secure to Mr putnam those ten acers of Land now belonging to ye Revd Mr John Rogers bounded &c or if that Land Cannot be obtained Sum other Land Equal in value with that Land Excluding of ye building their on & Equally Convenient and to gather their with an hous Comfortable and Convenient further propposd that if ye parish are obliged to purchase other Land besides that before specified belonging to ye Revd Mr John Rogers and to provid an hous as before mentioned that Mr putnam will provid the nails and Glass their for And it past in ye Negetive

5ly Put to vote to abat Benjamin Rogers Rate in John Peabody List and it past in ye Affermitive

At a legal parish Meeting held in Boxford first parish on friday ye 13th Day of June 1755 1ly Chose En Joseph Hale moderator for sd meeting

2ly Voted to hire preaching three months

3ly Chose Cap Francis Peirly Mr Nathll Symond Jnr John Flood ye Committe to hire an or the sd preacher 3 months and allso to provide a place for him to Keep at

At a legal parish meeting held in Boxford first parish on ye fifth Day of September 1755

1st Chose Mr Joseph Hale moderator for sd meeting

2d Voted to Rais a Sutable Sum of money to Defray parish Charges

3d Voted to Rais Fourty pounds Lawfull money to Defray ye arisen and arriseing Charges in sd parrish.

4th Voted to hire preaching three Months after ye Seventh Day of September Instant

5th Chose Mr Nath.ll Symonds Cap Francis parly Lieu Jeremiah Foster ye Committee to hire an orthodox preacher three months and also to provid a place for him to Keep at

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At a legal parish meeting held in Boxford first parish on monday ye 22d Day of September: 1755

1st Chose Thomas Pearly moderator for sd meeting

2d put to Vote to See if ye parish Would Chuse a Committee to agree with madam Susanna Rogers for ye hous and ten acers of Land that Lays in Boxford and also all arears of maintenance of What name or nature soever that She may Be due to her From ye above sd parish and it past in the Negetive.

At a Legal parish meeting held in Boxford First parish on Monday ye Seventh Day of November 1755

1st Chose Mr John Peabody Jr Moderator for sd meeting

2d Voted To hire preaching this Insueing Winter

3d Voted To hire Mr William Symes To preach in order to Be Settled in sd parrish

4th Voted To Chuse a Committee To hire preaching as is usual in ye above affair

5th Chose Mr Nath.ll Symonds for Nathan Andrews Mr John Peabody Jr ye Committee to hire ye sd Mr Symes

6th Voted To Chuse a Committee in Behalf of ye parish to agree with madam Susana Rogers

Chose Cap Francis Parly Mr John Peabody Jur & Lieu Tia parly the Committee to purchas the Hous and ten acers of Land of madam Susana Rogers The Land and hous Being our former pastor Mr Rogers Settlement

7th Voted that ye Committee Chosen to purchas ye hous and Land Be Impowered to agree with madam Susana Rogers for all arears of maintenance of What name or Nature Soever that She may Say Is Due to her from ye above sd parish

At a Legal parrish Meeting held in Boxford first parrish on the fifteenth Day of Decem 1755

1st Chose Left Jeremiah Foster Mordrator for sd meeting

2d Voted To hire Preaching three months

3d Chose Cap Francis Perly & Left Asa Pearly and Mr Thomas Andrews the Second Committee to hire an orthordox preacher three months and also to provide a place for him to Keepe at

4th Chose Thomas Perly John Hale To Join With ye Committee That is all Redy Chosen To agree With Madam Susana Rogars

At a Legal parrish meeting held in Boxford first parrish on ye Second Day of march 1756

1st Chose Left Jeremiah Foster Mordrator for sd Meeting

2d Chose Mr John Peabody Juner ye first Committee man for ye Ensueing

3d Chose Mr Jonathan Wood ye Second Committee man for ye year Ensueing

4th Chose Mr Samuell Fisk ye third Committee man for ye year Ensueing

5th Chose ye three Committee Men Ossesors for ye year Ensueing

6 Chose Aaron Kimball Parrish Cler for ye year Ensueing Ensueing

7 Chose Mr Nathan Wood Colector for ye North Side of ye parish for ye year N

8 Chose John Kimball Jr Colector for ye South Side of ye parrish for ye year Ensueing

9th Chose Cap Francis perly Tresurar for ye parish For ye year Ensueing

10th Voted To Joyn With ye Chh In Keepeing a Day of prayer and fasting &c

11th Voted To hire preaching three months after ye presant Committee Time is out for hireing preaching

12th put to vote to Chuse a Committee to hire an orthordox preacher and it past in ye Negetive

13th Voted to abat Asa Andrews Rate for what he was Rated for Real Estat in Mr John peabodys Rate

14th Voted to alow Joseph Symonds Sixteen Shilling for Bourding Mr Symes Sixteen Sabaths The above Named Ossesors and ye Tresurar and the Cler and Nathan Wood a Colector are all Sworn to ye faithfull Discharge of their Respective offices

At a Legal parrish meeting held in ye first parish in Boxford on Monday ye 22d twenty Second Day of March 1756

1st Chose Mr Thos Perly Mordrator For sd meeting

2d Chose Ebenezer Kimball Abner Hale [illegible] Aaron Kimball a Committee To provide an orthordox preacher To preacher To preach ye Gospal among us for so Long a time as ye parish has aldredy voted ye Last meeting and alleso To povide Entertainment for him

3d Voted to Relece John Kimball from Being Colector this presant year

4th Chose Ebenezer Kimball Colector for ye year Ensueing in the Room of John Kimball and Sworn to the office.

at a legal parish meeting held in Boxford first parish on ye
Twenteth Day of may Anno Domini 1756

1ly Chose mr Samuel Fisk Moderator for sd meeting
2ly Chose mr Thomas Dearly a trustee to Join With mr Nath.ll
Symonds and Mr Abner Ifale To take Care of the parishes
money or Bonds or Securily for which ye personage farm was
Sold for
3ly voted to lease out ye Land parishes Before Benjamin Rogers house for
one year
4ly voted that ye standing parrish Committe Should Leas
out ye about 8 Land for ye above Writen term of time

At a legal Parish Meeting held in Boxford first parrish
on ye 21 Day of June 1756

1ly Chose mr John Peabody Juner Moderator for sd meeting
2ly Voted to hire preaching three months
3ly Chose mr Thomas Dearly Cap Francis parly & Aaron Kimball
ye Committee to hirk an orthor Doc preacher to preach ye Gospel amongus
three months and provide Entertainment for him
4ly Voted that ye Committee Chosen to hire an orthor Doc preacher Shall
Imploy Shuch as are in Clind to Setel in ye Work of ye minestry
5ly voted to alow mr Thomas Andrews Five pounds Eleven Shilli
ngs old tenor For Bourding ministers at Sundry times
6ly Voted to alow mr [illegible] Ebenezer Killiane Eight
Shillings Lawfull money For Bourding mr Foster and mr
ainger
7ly Voted to alow Aaron Kimball one pound old tenor for Going to
Cambridge after a preacher: and one pound Sixteen Shillings
old tenor for bourding mr Aaron Putnam

At a legal parish Meeting held in Boxfore First parish
on ye Seuenteenth Day of Septembar 1756

1ly Chose mr John Wood Moderator for sd meeting
2ly Voted to hire preaching three months after ye Nineteenth
Day of Septembar instant
3ly Chose Aaron Kimball to hire a good orthordoxe preacher of the
Gospel of Jesus Christ agreable to ye word of God for three
months time voted at this meeting for to preach in sd parish
and also to proved Entertainment for ye preacher
4ly voted that ye man Chosen to hire a preacher Shall hire
Shuch as are inclind and likely to Setel in ye work of ye minisby
5ly voted to Seat the meeting hous
6ly Chose mr Nath.ll Symond mr Thomas Andrews Cap Francis
parly a Committee to Seat ye sd meeting hous
7ly voted to Cap Francis Parly Forty Shillings Lawfull money
for Bording Ministers forty Days

(16 alegal parrish Meeting held in Boxford first parish
on Friday ye Eighth Day of october 1756
1ly Chose Ens Joseph Hale Modrator For Sd Meeting
2ly Voted to hire Mr Minot Which preaches unto us) for to
preach ~~one~~ on probation in order to Settelment
3ly Chose Mr John peabody Jur Leut Asa Pearly a Committee
To Joyn With Aaron Kimball to agree With Mr Minot to
preach on probation amongst us

At alegal parish Meeting in ye first parish in Boxford on ye
23 of December AD 1756
1ly Chose Mr John peabody Jur Modrator For Sd Meeting
2ly Chose Solomon Wood Cler for Sd Meeting Who so Sworn De
3ly Voted To adjourn ye Sd meeting till Wednesday ye 29th of this inst
at one of ye Clock in ye after noon at ye meeting hous in ye first
parish in Boxford

On the adjournment of the parish Meeting on ye 29th of Dec 175
1ly The parish Voted their Concurrance With the Chh that Mr Steph
Minot Should be their pastor and teacher for to take a pastoral Care
of this Church and parish
2ly Voted to Give ye Sd Stephen Minot 160 £ Settlement
3ly Voted that ye parish Should pay to ye Sd Mr Stephen Minot yearly
Solong as he Shall Cary on ye Work of ye Ministery among them
a Sallery of 73 £ 6/8 in Silver at 6/8 pr ounce or Equivolant
there to in any other Currancy Which Will pas from man to man
in the County of Essex
4ly Voted that Mr Thos Andrews ~~Junr~~ Mr Nath[l] Symonds and Leut Asa
pearly Should be a Committee to inform ye Sd Mr Minot of ye above Sd Voles
and Know of him whether he will Comply with ye Same and Make Re
turn to ye parish
5ly Voted to adjourn the Meeting till tusday ye 11th Day of Janu
Next in ye year 1757 at two of ye Clock

upon ye adjournment on ye 11 Day of January 1757
Voted to adjourn the meeting till tusday ye first Day of Febr
Next at two of ye Clock in ye after noon
on ye adjournment ye first Day of February 1757
1ly Voted to Rais Forty pounds to Defray ye Charges of Sd parish
2ly Voted to hire preaching three months
3ly Chose Cap Francis Pearly Leut Jeremiah Foster Mr Thos
Pearly a Committee to provid Good orthodox preaching
of ye Gospel 3 months and also to provide Entertainment for ye preac
hers

At a Legal parish meeting held in Boxford first parish
on ye 15th Day of march A D: 1757

1 Chose Mr Thd Pearly moderator for ye Meeting
2 Chose Mr Paul prichard ye first Commitie man for ye year Ensueing
3 Chose Mr Thos Andrews ye 2 Committee man for ye year Ensueing
4 Chose mr Jacob Cummings ye 3 Comitten man for ye year Ensueing
5 Chos ye 3 Commitee men Assesors for ye year Ensueing
6 Chose Aaron Kimball Parish Cler for ye year Ensueing
7 Chose Cap Francis Darby Tresurar for ye year Ensueing
8 Chose John Kimball Colector for ye South Side of ye parish ye Ensueing year
9 Chose Aaron Wood Colector for ye North Sid of ye perish ye year Ensueing
10 Chose Thd Pearly Abnar Hale John Peabody Jun Trustees to take Care of the money bonds or Security for Which the parsonage farm was Leased out for and to Return the incom there of as the parrish has ordord by formar Votes
11 Chose Aaron Kimball Samuel Fisk & Solomon Wood a Committee To Reckon With the formar Trustees and Make Return to the parish
12 put to vote to abate John Goulds head and past in ye Negetiv
18 voted to alow Samuel Dorman Eight Shillings Lawfu money For takeing Care of ye Meeting hous
14 Voted to alow Aaron Kimball ten Shillings for Bording Mr Minot Ten Days: And For bording Mr Minot Two Weeks and Keeping his hors ten Shillings and Eight pence

march ye 15: 1757

Then The aboue Named Assesors and the Tresurar and the Cler and Aaron Wood a Colector are all Sworn to ye Faithfull Discharge of their Respectiue offices

Boxford march ye 24: 1757 then John Kimball parsonaly apeared and made oath to ye ~~office of~~ faithfull Discharge of ye office of a Colector before me Aaron Kimball parish Cler

At a legal parish meeting held in Boxford first parish on March y 24 Day: 1757

1st Chose mr Jacob Cummings Mordrator for sd meeting

2d) put to voted to abat Benjamin Rogers Rate in Jacob Cummings List and it past in y negitive

At a legal parish meeting held in Boxford First parish in Boxford on tusday y 26 Day of april 1757

1st Chose mr Thos Darby Mordrator for sd meeting

2d Voted to hire preaching three months

3d Chose ~~Mr~~ Capt Francis Darby mr Thos Andrews Eb Ebnezer Curtis a Committee to agree with on or thr doc preacher to preach y Gospel among us ~~from~~ for three mon ths and also provide Entertainment for y preacher

4th Chose mr Thos Andrews mr Francis peabody mr Samuel Fris a Committee to Reckon With Cap Francis Perley Treasurer Respecting the intrest of y money the parish of ~~form~~ was Leaced for and make Return to y parish

5th Voted to alow y wd hannah Stickney Eight Shilling for two years for her husband takeing Care of y parrs es money

2 At a Legal parish meeting held in y first parish in Boxford on thirday y 21th Day of July 1757

(1)st Chose mr John peabody Jur mordrator

2d Chose Thos Andrews Clerk and Sworn for sd Day

3d Voted hire mr Theyar three months on probation in order for Setelment

4th Chose Cap Francis Pearly Left Jeremiah Fors mr Nathl Symond a Commitee to hire mr Theyar

5th Voted in Case mr Theyar Declines to preach on probation y sd Commitee to hire a or thor doc preacher to preach y Gospel among us for three months and provide Entertainment for sd preacher

6th) Voted to Accept the Reckening the Committee made With y Trustees and alowd y trustees the nine Shillings and Eight pence of intrest that fell Short of y Intrest of the parishes money in y year 1755

7th) put to vote to Dismes mr Abner hall being a trustee and it past in y negtive

1st Chose Mr. Thos. Perley mr John Peabody Jr to give Security for the parishes money that the posnage form Was Leased att With mr Abner Hale

at a legal parish meeting held in the first parish In Boxford on The 15th Day of october 1757

1st Chose Mr. Thomas Perly Mordrator for Sd meeting of parrish

2d Voted their Concurance With the Church that mr Josiah Starns Should Be their pastor and Teacher For to take a pastrol Care of the Church and parrish

3d The parrish Voted mr Starns one hundred and Sixty pounds Lawfull money For a Settlement one half to be paid in two months after ordernation & the other half In twelve months after ordernation.

4th The parrish Voted To give mr Starns Sixty and five pounds thirteen Shillings and four pence to be paid In Silver at the Rate of 6/8 per ounce or Equelant there to in any other Currancy Which will pas from man to man in our province for a yearly Salary Solong as he Shall Continue With us in y ministrey It is to be under Stood that y Incum arriseing by the Leas of the parsonage farm is to go to pay part of Sd Sum. and Voted twenty Cords of Wood yearly

5th The parrish Chose Cap Francis Perly Left Jeremiah Foster mr Aaron Wood a Committee To Inform mr Starns of the above Sd Votes and Know of him Whether he will Comply With y Same and if not to Know of him upon What terms he Will Settle among us and make Return to the parrish

6th Voted to abat William Spafford two Shillings and Seven pence In Nathan Woods List

at a legal parrish meeting held in y first parrish in boxford on y 15th Day of october 1757

1st Chose mr John peabody Jur mordrator for Sd meeting

2d put to vote to Chuse a Committee to agree With madom Susana Rogers and it past in the negtive

At a legal parrish meeting held in ye first parrish in Boxford on Wensday the Nineteenth Day of October 175[illegible]

1ly Chose Mr Thos Perly Moderator for sd Meeting

2ly Voted to Chuse a Committee in behalf of ye parrish to Defend ye parish against madam Susanna Rogers or to agree with her

3ly Chose Mr Aaron Wood Mr Thomas Perly Mr Jonathn Wood the Committee in behalf of ye first parrish in Boxford To Settle an action of tresspas on ye Case Commenced against the Inhabitance of the first parrish in Boxford By madam Susannah Rogers of Leomenster Executrix to ye Last Will and testment of Mr John Rogers Late of sd Leomenster Deceast to Settle ye sd action Either by an agreement with ye sd madam Rogers or answering of her in ye plea of the Case on ye sd action of Trespas at the Inferor Court of Common pleas to be holden at Worster on the first tuesday of November next as the Committee Chosen for that purpos Shall think propor

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At a legal Parish Meeting held in ye first parish in Boxford on monday ye 12th Day of December: 1757.

1ly Chose Mr John Peabody Jur Moderator for sd meeting

2ly Voted to hire Preaching Three months . . .

3ly The Parrish Chose Paul Prichard John Peabody Jur John Hale the Committee to agree with an orthodoxe precher to preach the Gospil amongst us three months and also to provide Entertainment for the preacher

4ly Voted to Rais forty Pounds To Defray the Cherges in sd parrish

5ly Put to vote to abate part of John Flages Rate in Ebenezer Killiams List and past in the negeative

6ly Voted to Allow Jonathan Pyeby twelve Shillings For Dineing Ministers thirty Days

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At a legal parrish Meeting held in ye first parrish in Boxford on thirsday ye 12 Day January: 1758

1ly Chose Mr Aaron Wood Moderator for sd meeting

2ly Voted to Chuse a Committee to agree with Mr John Rogers and Mr Nathaniel Rogers of Leomenster

3ly Chose Mr Aaron Wood Left Isa Perly En Joseph Hale a Committee and Impowar them in behalf of the parrish to Settel and make ~~a~~ A final agreement With the Executors of the Last Will and testment of Mudam Susanna Rogers Late of Leominster Dec:

Respecting her Demands on the first parish in
Boxford Relating to the Salary or Arears of Salary
or Contracts of y^e s^d parrish With our Late pastor mr
John Rogers Late of Leominster Dec^d or any
Demands of What name or Nature So Euer
Which Subsisted Between the s^d madam Rogers
and the s^d first parrish and the s^d Committee
to make Return to the parrish.
4^ly put to Vote to abate John Flags Rate in Ebenez
er Killiam List and past in the Affermative

(At legal Parish meeting Held in y^e first Parish
in Boxford on tuesday y^e 21^th Day of march 1748
1/ Chose mr Aaron Wood modrator for s^d Day
2/ Chose Joseph Hale for y^e first Committe man for y^e
year Ensuing
3/ Chose Ebenezer Curtice y^e 2 Committe man for y^e year Ensuing
4/ Chose Aaron Wood y^e 3 Committe man for y^e year Ensuing
5/ Voted y^e three Committe men a Peson for y^e year Ensuing
6/ Chose Elijah Dorman Collector for y^e North side
y^e year Ensuing
7/ Chose Ezra Stiles Collector for y^e South side y^e year Ensuing
8/ Chose Capt Thrancis Perley Treasuer for y^e year Ensuing
9/ Chose Thomas Andicus parish Clerk for y^e year Ensuing
y^e allow'd by Sessions Sworn
10/ Voted to hire preaching three months
11/ The parish Chose Thomas Andicus Jonathan Bidle
Samuel Thisk y^e Committe to agree with a orthrodox
preacher to preach y^e Gospel among us three months
and also to provide Entertainment for y^e Preacher
12/ Voted to abate John Dorman a Poverty Rate Thirteen Shillings and Six
pence which he Saith he Cant Recover of y^e former
Collector which was to pay him
13/ Voted to allow Abner Hale Six Shillings a year for three years
past for taking Cear as a trust tee y^e Parishes money
14/ Voted to allow Samuel Dorman Eight Shillings for y^e year
past for his Keeping y^e Kee and Sweping y^e meeting house
15/ Voted to allow Capt Thrancis perley Six Shillings a year
for four years for his Being parish Treasuer
16/ Voted to allow Stephen Symonds twelve Shillings for
Bording mr Thayer and mr Thisk y^e Last year
17/ Voted Samuel Dorman to take Cear of y^e meeting house
and Sweep it y^e Ensuing year

At a Legal parish meeting held in ye first parish
in Boxford on Thursday ye 16th Day of June 1748

(1st) Chose Ens. Joseph Hale moderator for s.d Day

(2d) Voted to hire preaching Three month After ye
16th Day of June Instant

(3d) Voted to Chuse a Committe to hire preaching ye
three months and to provide Entertainment for ye preacher

(4) Chose mr Nathaniel Symonds mr Aaron Kimball and
mr John Hale a Committe to hire a orthodox
preacher to preach ye Gospel Among us for ye above
s.d Term

(5) put to Vote to See if ye parish will Lease out their
Land before mr Benj.n Rogers Door for a Carlain
Number of years and it Past in ye Negitive

(6th) Heard ye Committe Report that Went to Worcester
In Behalf of ye parish

(7th) Voted to Allow mr Thomas Perley and
mr Aaron Wood for their going to Lemonester
Worcester and Boston and Salem Ipswich Rowley and
Newbury as Agants for ye parish against ye Rogers
their time and horses and Expences Lawfull money £4 00
five pounds Seven Shillings & four pence

(8) Voted to Allow Thomas Andrews one pound
Nineteen Shillings & two pence Lawfull money
for Bording Sundrey preachers till this Date

At a Legal Parish meeting held in ye First parish in
Boxford on Thursday ye 2/20 day of July 1748

1st Chose mr Thomas Perley for s.d Day madrator

2d Voted to Chuse a Committe in Behalf of s.d parish to Defend the
the parish against John Rogers Clerk and Natha.l Rogers Gen.n
South of Lemonester in ye County of Worcester in a plea of Trespa
on ye Case Commenct by ye s.d John and Natha.l Rogers against
ye Inhabantance of ye first parish in Boxford of six hundred
and fifty pounds to be heard and Try before ye Justices of ye Inferor
Court of Common pleas next to be holden at Woster with in and
for said Worcester on ye third Tuesday of August Next or to Settle
it Some other Way as ye Committe Shall think most proper

3d Chose mr Thomas perley mr Aaron Wood Capt Thranis perley
a Committe in Behalf of s.d parish to Defend ye parish at ye
Court as above said

4th Voted that ye Assesors of said parish Shall Give orders to ye Comtte
afore s.d to draw money out of ye parish treasury to Support
them in their Agancy for the parish in said action

Att a Leagal Parish meeting held in the Thirst parish in Botford on Thirsday 4e 31th day of August 1748

(1) By Chouse Capt. Joseph Hale modrator for Said day

(2) put to Vote to See if 4e parish Will petition to 4e Grate and Generel Court of this province at their Next Sessions to See If they Will Grant 4e Inhabantance of the thirst parish in Botford At Liberty of a hearing on 4e Case Between John and Nathaniel Rogers of Lemonester and 4e S.d Inhabantance of 4e thirst parish in Botford att 4e Sitting of 4e Next Inferor Court of Common pleas to be Next holden in 4e County of Worcester and it past in 4e Affarmitive.

(3) put to Vote to See if 4e parish Will Chuse a Committe to perfer a petition in 4e S.d parish Behalf to the Grate and Generel Court of this provined for 4e porpos a fore Said and it pass in 4e Affarmitive

(4) Chouse mr Thomas Perley mr Aaron Wood and Capt Francies Perley to perfar 4e petition to 4e Court aforesaid

(5) Voted that either of 4e above S.d Committe men shall have power to perfar Said petition to the above S.d Court

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Att a Legal parish meeting held in 4e thirst parish in Botford on monday 4e 18th day of September 1748

(1) Chose Capt. Joseph Hale modrator for Said Day

(2) Voted to hire preaching three months

(3) Voted Thomas Andrews mr Nathaniel Symonds Capt Thomas Perley A Committe to hire Ithrodore preacher for 4e term aforesaid And Also to porvide Entertainment for S.d preacher

(4) put to Vote to See If 4e parish Will pass a Vote to act as they Shall think not proper Respecting What is Likely may happen to this parish in Consequence of Hide Being Called out by Desolt at Worster Court Last past and it past in 4e Negtive

(5) Put to Vote to See if 4e parish Will Give 4e Committe that Was Chosen to petition to 4e Genrail Court in Behalf of 4e parish that they might Be granted a hearing on 4e Late action Commenc'd Against 4e parish By mr John and Nathaniel Rogers of Leominester att 4e Sitting of 4e Next Inferor Court of Common pleas to be holden att Worester Liberty to petition 4e Said Grate and Genral Court of this prouvid for that Same favour att 4e Setting of 4e Next Inferior Court of Common pleas holden att Worester After the Next Sessions of 4e Genrael Court of this province And it past in the Affirmitive

Att a Legal parish meeting held in the First parish
In Botford on monday 4e 27th day of Nauember 1748

(1) Chouse Lt Jeremiah Foster modrator for said Day

(2) The parish Voted their Concurance with the Church
that Mr Elizur Holioake Should be their pastor and
Teacher for to take a pastorl Cear of ye Church and parish

(3) The parish Voted Mr Elizur Holioake one hundred and
Sixty pounds Lawfull money for a Settlement one half
To be paid in two months after ordornation and ye other
half in twelue months after ordornation

(4) The parish Voted to Giue Mr Elizur Holioake Sixty and
Six pounds Thirteen Shillings and four pence Lawfull money
To be paid in Silver at ye Rate of 6/8 pr ounce or
Equerlent there to in any other Currancy which will pass from
man to man in our province for a yearly Salary So Long
as he Shall Continued with us in the ministrey it is to be under
Stood that ye Incam arising by ye Leas of ye Parsonage farm
is to go to pay part of said Sum also Voted Twenty Cord
of Wood Cut and Carred to his one house in ye parish yearley

(5) The parish Chouse Capt Thrancis Perley Mr Aaron Wood
and Thomas Andrews a Committe to Inform Mr Holioake
of ye aboue said Votes and Know of him Whether he Will
Comply With ye Same and If not to Know of him upon
What terms he Will Settle among us and make
Return to ye Parish

Att a Legal parish meeting held in the First parish in Botford
on monday ye 4 day of December 1748

(1) Chouse Mr Thomas Perley modrator for said Day

(2) The parish Chouse Capt Thrancis Perley Mr Thomas Perley
Mr Aaron Wood a Committe in Behalf of ye parish
To Settle the Execution the Rogem: Law against it
According to their Best Skill and Judgment in Case
there be a Nesesety for itt

To the first Church and parish in Boston Honr and Beloved
In as much as you have Called to ye Sacred office of a Gospel minister
among you and have Voted me such a maintainance as According
to ye Situation may be Sufficient to Gether with such
Anagreable harmony among your Selves in Desiring a
Repellement of ye ordinance of Christ and your unexpected unanimity
Both in Church and parish and having taken those precious Steps
Necessary to Determine my Self in Such Important affair I
Take the preasent opportunity to Express my Gratitude to
you for having such an Esteem for me Which I Trust has
moved you to act as you have, and hereby testify my
Acceptance of your Invitation with an humble Dependance
upon Divine Graid that I may be enabled to act in ye Station
of a minister of Christ among you agreable to those Sacred
Rules Delivard to us from heaven at ye same time intreating
your Earnest prayers for me that in ye Course of my ministrations
a mong you we may be preserved in that Unity and Charity
With all other Christian graces necessary to be Exercised Between
those who Stand in so near and Sacred a Relation to Each other
and it my Earnest Desire and prayer to God that we all
may be perfect and of one mind Living in peace that the
God of Love and peace may be with us Elizur Holyoke

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Att a Legal Parish meeting Held in ye first parish
In Boston on monday ye 14th day of January 1749

1/ Chose Lt Jermiah Potter moderator for said Day

2/ Voted that ye Last Wednesday of this Instant month Shall
be ye day for the ordaining mr Elizur Holyoke their
Pastor and teacher in ye work of the Gospel ministry
among them

3/ Voted mr Aaron Wood to Entertain ye Council
and mr Aaron Kimball to Entertain ye Scholan and
Gentlemen

At a Legal Parish meeting held in the first parish in
Botford on Thursday ye 24th day of march 1749
1/ Chose mr John Peabody moderator for s.d Day
2/ By the Parish Chose mr Thomas Perley mr Solomon
Wood and Thomas Andrews a Committee in Behalfe of
the parish to pay mr John Rogers and mr Nathll Rogers
of Leominster who Commenc an Action a gainst the
Inhabatance of ye first parish in Botford att ye Inferior
Court of Common pleas which was held at Worcester
on ye third Tuesday of August Last there Cost of said
Court a Proable to the Generall Court Late ordered
3/ The Parish Chose mr Thomas Perley mr Solomon
Wood and Thomas Andrews a Committee Joyntly and
Severally and Impower them in Behalf of ye parish to
Bring a Writt of Review at ye Next Inferior Court
of Common pleas to be holden at Worcester on ye
Second Tuesday of may Next upon a Judgment
Obtained there a Gainst the Inhabatance of ye first
Parish in Botford by mr John and Nathll Rogers
Leominster on ye third Tuesday of August Last agreeable
to the Generall Courts Late Act and s.d Committe to pro-
Such action to Final Judgment and Execution
or Refer said action or agree with said Rogers
as the Committe Shall think most proper
4/ put to Vote to See if ye parish will Vote ye Above s.d
Committe further power and it past in the Negetive
5/ The Parish Voted the preasent Assessors Shall
the parish Eighty pounds for the Incouragement
Helpfull part of his Settlement
6/ the parish Voted mr Thomas Perley Shall Have
Book to Keep parish Record in
7/ put to Vote to See if ye parish will Vote to Raise forty
pounds to Defray ye Charges and Actions Charges for
Said parish and it past in the Negetive